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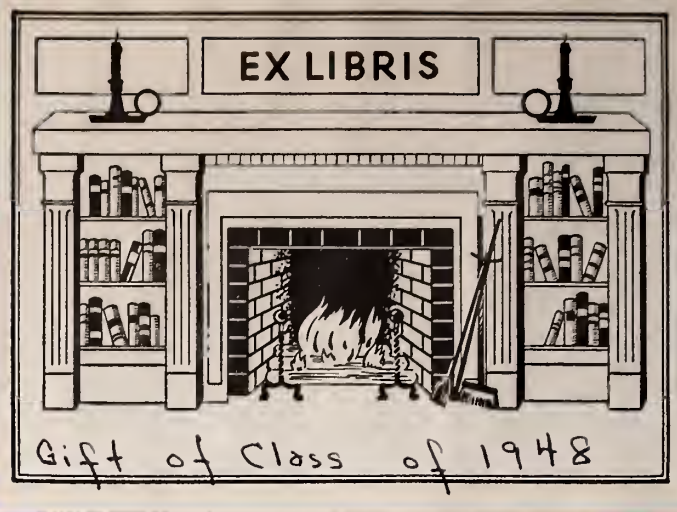
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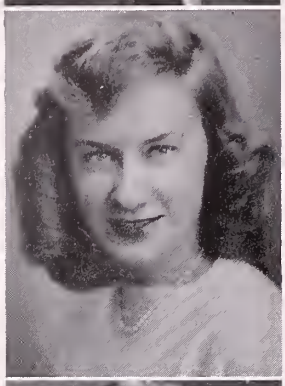
RAYMOND ALBERT ABLONDI, JR.

His friends are legion.

Ray is the extremely popular personality who has been our class president for the past two years. He has done much for his class in this capacity. Among the many capacities in which he has served is that of Senator from this district during the Youth Government Day at the State House in Boston. In spite of some unfortunate accidents, Ray has proved himself a great football player and trackman. He also possesses an unusual amount of great scholastic ability. During his high school years Ray's sincerity and friendliness have won him many lasting friendships.

Baseball 2, Basketball 2, 3, Relay 3, 4, Football, Track 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club, Class Play, Competitive Plays, Gold F, Good Government Group, F. H. S. Delegate to Boys' State, Mass. Delegate to National Boys' Forum at Washington 4



LORIS GAY LAKSO

Queen rose of the rosebud garden of girls.

Hoi, our vice-president, has striking blonde hair and mischievous eyes. She loves to ski, and has quite a talent for music. Her sparkling personality has resulted in her being chosen president of the Horizon Club. Her achievements are not limited to the social aspects of school life as she has been an outstanding student throughout her high school career.

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Orchestra 1, 2, Student Council, Dramatic Club, *Red & Gray* 3, 4, Basketball, Gold F 4

JANET LEE PEARSON

None named her but to praise.

Janet, an honor student, is one of the most capable and outstanding members of the class. She belongs to a number of clubs outside of school. Jan enjoys all kinds of music and exhibits her musical ability by playing the drums in our school band. In sports she likes basketball and softball. She is a good pitcher in the latter sport. Knitting is her hobby. Janet's future lies in the field of nursing.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Basketball 1, 2, Home Room Representative 3, *Red & Gray* 3, 4, Band 2, 3, 4, Class Play Chairman, Gold F

JOSEPH CUSHING, JR.

He can do many things well.

Joe Cushing is one of the truly versatile athletes in our class. He not only stars in baseball and football but is a skier of championship caliber, having won the Massachusetts Junior Ski Championship. Joe is a very capable student. His competency in student activities is shown by the fact that he was elected treasurer of his class and F. H. S. representative to the Good Government program held in Boston. Although as yet he has no definite plans for the future we have no doubt that he will become eminently successful in any field of endeavor.

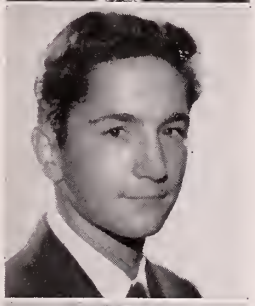
Basketball 2, Relay, Student Council, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Christmas Party 3, Class Book Committee, Gold F, Good Government Group 4, Baseball, Football 2, 3, 4

RICHARD WALTER AHLIN, JR.

All great men come from the country.

Jiggs is the tall, casual boy we see strolling through the corridors in his moccasins, who served as treasurer of our class during the junior year. He has a talent for singing and dancing, and is a born comedian. These talents do not exceed his dramatic ability, however. Jiggs is always smiling, even after a hard night of fighting fires in the wilds of Westminster. His pet peeve is long skirts. Jigg's plans for the future are not yet complete.

Football 2, 3, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Christmas Party, Class Treasurer 3, Dramatic Club, Band, Orchestra 2, 3, 4, Class Play, Senior Dues Committee 4

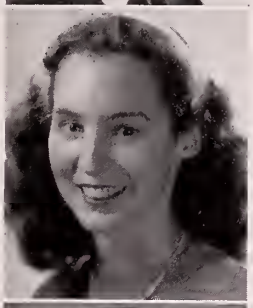


JOHN JAMES ALARIO

A quiet mannered lad with mischief in his eye.

Johnny is the bashful type, being particularly shy with the opposite sex. Although his outside interests are many, he still manages to keep up with his studies. John can always be seen busily working at the meat counter in Brockelman's. Although he doesn't participate in sports, he is an enthusiastic fan.

Band 1, 2, 3



JANE EVA ALBERT

Her good nature is proper soil upon which virtue grows.

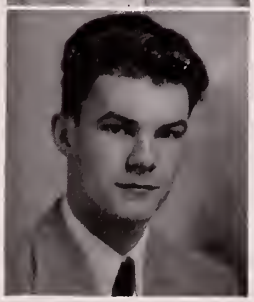
Red hair and sparkling eyes—that identifies Janie. She is one of our illustrious part-timers and divides her time between the *Red & Gray* and the *Boulder*. Wherever she goes there are one or two shadows accompanying her. Jane is always ready for a good time, and although she does not possess a tremendous appetite, she has a fondness for two lunch periods.

HALSEY LEONARD ALLEN, III

And still the wonder grew,
That one small head could carry all he knew.

Halsey is perhaps our most brilliant scholar since he has been on the special and high honor rolls throughout his school career. He is a back stage member of the Dramatic Club, a member of the *Red & Gray* Board, the editor of the 1948 *Boulder*, a member of the student council, and of our victorious relay team. He has served on various dance committees. The sports which he enjoys are skiing and hunting. Most of his weekends and vacations are spent in Sterling at his uncle's farm and from this he draws his life ambition to be a soil chemist. He is planning to enter Cornell University after graduation.

Red & Gray 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Relay, Dramatic Club 3, 4, Student Council, Round Table, Class Book Committee, Gold F 4



JOHN JOSEPH ALLEN

Let each man pass his days in that wherein his skill is greatest.

Jack is one of the ardent auto-mechanics and has a car of his own. His love for things mechanical has shown itself by his selection of the Vocational Course and in devoting all his spare time to his own car and to those of others who are less gifted in the art of keeping the wheels turning. His hobby is both big and midget car racing.

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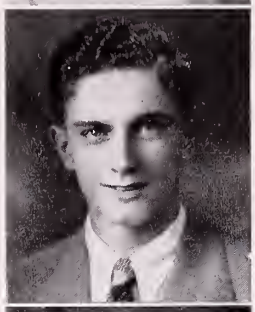
VIRGINIA EDITH ANDREASSON

Tall, straight, and slender.

Virginia is that tall pretty lass with a contagious smile. She is friendly and very popular with everyone. Among her favorite pastimes are horseback riding, dancing, and moving pictures. Virginia is one class member who has announced her engagement. The best of luck, Virginia!

Junior Picnic Committee



ROBERT THOMAS ARCHIBALD

A man must devote some of his time to other things than study.

Bob or Arch, as he is called by his friends, is one of our better tennis players. He is a good student and Physics is one of his best subjects. While quiet and somewhat serious he has served on many of the social committees and in these capacities revealed another side which has endeared him to those with whom he worked. His mind is not entirely on his studies however as his wavy hair has captivated the heart of many young ladies. In this respect we may add that Bob needs no compass to find one of our neighboring towns.

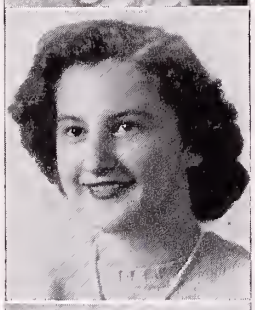
Tennis 3, 4, Class Book Committee

BEVERLY PRISCILLA ASHE

Thou art small, but thou shalt grow.

Though Bev is one of the smallest members of our class, she gets around faster than most of us, especially in crowds. She is full of fun and mischief and enjoys all sports. An active member of the Scouts, she looks forward to the summer camping trips. Her future plans are to be a telephone operator.

Glee Club



JEANNETTE THERESA AUBUCHON

Laughing and gay and full of fun.

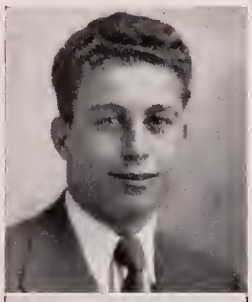
Jeannette is one of the outstanding members of the Glee Club and has a beautiful soprano voice. She enjoys all kinds of sports and attends all our games. She has several hobbies, chief of which is collecting pictures of Hollywood stars, and going to the movies. We are told she plans to follow in the steps of Florence Nightingale.

Volleyball 3, Basketball 3, 4, Dramatic Club, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Gold F

DOROTHY ANN BAHO

A lassie dark with raven hair.

Dot's deep brown eyes reveal that she is one of those girls who are full of mischief and glee, a happy-go-lucky person. She has a merry, penetrating laugh. In sports she particularly likes to play basketball and she lives for roller skating. Dot plans to be a telephone operator.

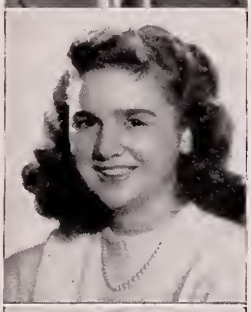


RONALD BALABAN

Born and bred in Brooklyn—proud of it too.

Balli, coming from Brooklyn, joined us in our junior year. He played football and has been a member of the track team, doing rather well in both sports. He is a nice dancer and enjoyed dancing at lunch. He has the quality of making friends and keeping them. May he always remain that way.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Football, Track, Relay 3, 4



ANNA BALDUCCI

A bonnie wee lassie.

Anna is one of the shortest girls in the senior class but makes up for it with her personality. She is very proud of her long, brown hair. We wonder how she manages it. She can usually be seen rushing to and fro from the school library, as she is one of our part-timers working for Miss Sherwin. She plans a business career.

Basketball 2, 3, Volleyball 3

NATHALIE JOANNE BARHOLM

Mild mannered in all she does.

Nathalie is studious and thoughtful, well-liked by all who know her. Although she is generally quiet, Nathalie can hold her own in any bit of activity. Her devoted friend, Dot, is nearly always seen with her.

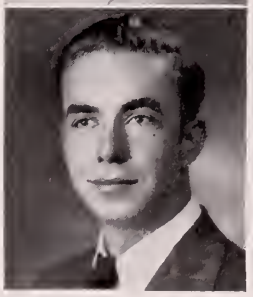
Youth Library Committee 3, Gold F

CONSTANCE NANCY BARONE

A merry amiable little lass.

Connie is cheerful, happy-go-lucky, has a friendly smile for everyone and adds gaiety wherever she goes. One of our bus pupils, she is one of those lucky people who are never marked tardy. She spends most of her time helping her father in Barone's Pharmacy in the eastern section of the city.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball 1, 2, 3



EVERETT ELLON BARROWS, JR.

Young fellows will be young fellows.

Everett has blonde wavy hair. He is called Blondie by many of his female friends. He has a likeness for the opposite sex and vice versa. Although he doesn't take part in many of our school activities, we know his outside interests are many. He is always neatly groomed and well turned out without resorting to extreme styles.

HAZEL BASILIO

An ounce of mirth is worth a pound of sorrow.

Hazel is one of our part-timers who mix work and school in apparently well-balanced proportions. She hates to hurry allowing the world to go by at its own pace, but when something requires doing Hazel achieves a surprising agility which sends her down the corridor with her brown tresses flying. We'd like to know where she gets her rosy cheeks.

Volleyball 2, Basketball 2, 3, 4

HELEN JENNIE BATURA

As merry as the day is long.

Helen, a pretty girl who loves to dance, can always be seen dancing at second lunch with her many admirers. We will truly miss her pleasing personality and cheery smile which should prove of great advantage in whatever field she may choose a career.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4

GEORGE ADOLPHE BEAUCHAMP

No worries ever trouble him.

Although George only entered F. H. S. in his senior year, he has already made a favorable impression with his pleasing personality. George's main athletic interest is track and he should make a good addition to the high school track team. In his spare time George works at the Fitchburg Theater as an usher.

Track, Relay 4

JEAN ELLEN BEAUMONT

I shall endeavor to enlighten all with wit.

Beau is one of our dance enthusiasts. She enjoys good music especially Gershwin and Kern. Her pleasing personality is known to us all and she is forever laughing. We learned that she likes to write and does it well. She thrives on Italian food. Is that what keeps her slim?

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Junior Picnic Committee, Glee Club 1, 4

CHARLOTTE MAE BEER

Safe within her heart nestles the seed of perfection.

Chili is all of five feet tall and has laughing blue eyes. She has a peculiar hobby—saving pennies. She is also adept at playing the piano and is quite artistic. Hailing from West Fitchburg, she is a good student and a sincere friend.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Book Committee, Gold F, Home Room Representative, Basketball 4, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4

EDWARD RUSSELL BEER

Few words suffice.

Although Eddie is one of the more reserved members of our class, he is an all-around fellow. Besides being interested in all types of outdoor sports, he has done exceptionally well in his college course studies. He is not certain of his future, but as long as he is able he will defend Waites Corner against all comers.

Relay 3

RITA ANN BEGNOCHE

Small but bright and friendly with all.

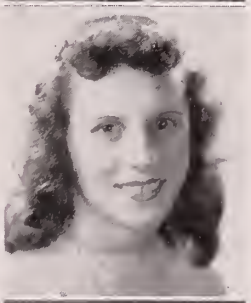
Rita has light hair, gray eyes, and is short of stature. Whenever you see her walking down the corridor or in the various classes, she has a friendly smile for everyone. In her spare moments you will find her either roller skating at Whalom Rink or dancing somewhere. After graduation Rita will continue working in the office at Aubuchon's Hardware.

JOHN QUENTIN BENNETT

A star in his own right—Every inch a champion.

As a member of a class famed for individual versatility, Johnnie is one of our most versatile athletes. He has made quite a name for himself in the field of track, having won the Massachusetts State Cross Country championship. He also carried off honors in the indoor mile. In addition he was promising on the basketball court in sophomore and junior years and a power on the hockey courts of this district. He is known as a ladies man around school, but most of his time is taken up with one special person.

Basketball 2, 3, Track 3, 4, Class Relay 3, 4, Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Assembly Committee 3, Home Room Representative 4



JULIE PATRICIA BENSUK

A soft voice is a lovely thing.

Julie is noted for her ability to study and attain high honors without difficulty. She appears very quiet to strangers, but her friends know differently. She arrives every morning on the stroke of eight after a brisk walk to school. She is very pleasant and a favorite of the teachers.

EMIL ALFRED BERNDT

I'll take any sport, I like them all.

Sonny is an artist at the game of Morra. A great competitor in sports, Emil was a member of the football, track, and basketball teams. His career was cut short in football due to an injury received in a mid-season game. He was also on the Junior-Senior Relay and the Belmont Relay Team. He's a ladies' man in a quiet sort of way. He hails from Cleghorn.

Class Color and Flower Committee 3, Football, Track, Relay 3, 4, Basketball 4

BETTY RUTH BEVER

There is no genius in life like the genius of energy.

Betty is one of those persons who can combine intellect with a wonderful personality. Her popularity is based on her ability to lend a helping hand wherever needed. She ranks high as a scholar and in the future, should make a place for herself in the business world.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Assembly Committee 4, Gold F, Home Room Representative 4

ROBERT HERMAN BEVER

'Tis good to be merry and wise.

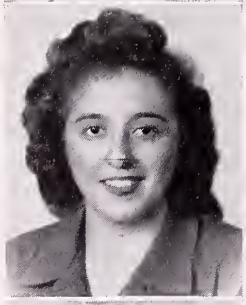
Bob has many friends in the high school. He likes all sports and participates in basketball and baseball. His pet peeves are haircuts and stew. He's crazy about jungle pictures and grilled cheese sandwiches. Bob plans to join the Navy when he gets out of school. A hard worker himself, Bob dislikes people who avoid work. He's the kind of fellow who'd do anything for a friend.

ANDRONIKI BILIOURIS

Would that I were a boy so that I could play all sports.

Niki, as we know her, is another of our sports-minded classmates, and a loyal rooter of the Red Raiders. She can be seen, as well as heard, in the cheering section, both at home and out of town games. She is always ready with a new cheer. Like many of the other girls, Niki would like to enter secretarial work after her school days are over.

Volleyball 1, Glee Club 1, 2

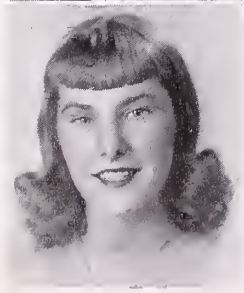


CHARLOTTE ANN BODANZA

Born with a gift of laughter.

Charlotte is a merry miss. She loves to laugh and has a cheery, "Hello", for everyone. When it comes to studying, she can always think of something better to do. She is definitely a fiend when it comes to gum or candy, and she can always be found well supplied with either.

Glee Club 1, 2, 3

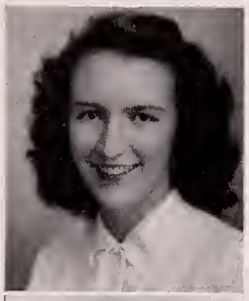


GRACE BEVERLY BODO

Her air, her manners, all who saw, admired.

Blessed with blonde hair and merry eyes, Gracie is extremely popular with both boys and girls. She has a flair for fashion and is a hearty supporter of the new look. How does she remain so slim? If she'd only tell us! Parke Snow's enjoys having her around on Saturdays.

Band 2



NORMA MAY BONNALLIE

Ever loyal, ever true to the tasks she has to do.

Norma is the girl with the dark brown hair and twinkling eyes. She is quite a seamstress, as we see from the attractive clothes she wears. She makes many of them. An honor roll pupil, Norma has achieved scholastically what many have wished for but haven't attained. We all wish her luck in her proposed career in dressmaking.

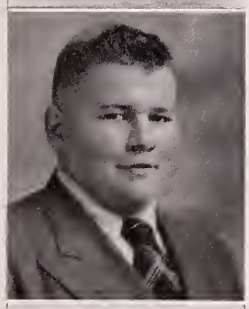
Orchestra 1, 2, Basketball, Dramatic Club, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Field Hockey 2, Junior Prom Committee, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Tennis, Volleyball 4, Gold F, Class Book Committee 4

BEATRICE ALIDA BOUCHER

A smile for all, a welcome, glad,
A jovial, pleasing way she had.

Beatrice is a quiet member of the class with a lovely smile and a grand personality. She always dresses neatly and attractively. She likes to play basketball and ice skate. She once liked roller skating. Beatrice has no definite plans for the future.

Basketball 1



CLIFFORD GEORGE BOWERS

Like two men rolled into one.

Skip is a member of the woodworking course and can often be seen with Harold O'Dell. He has a shop of his own, and hopes to work in the woodworking field. Being one of the most co-operative boys in the shop he certainly has proved to us that everyone loves a fat man, especially when he is blessed with the personality and characteristics which are Skip's.

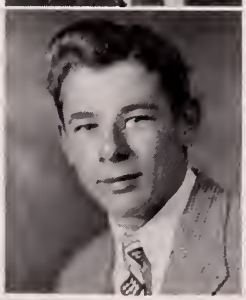
Senior Dues Committee 4

ALFRED NELO BRASILI

My soul doth aspire to music.

Freddy is a tall, husky lad with a natural wave in his dark hair. He is easy going and good-natured. His pleasing comedy has often raised a sound of merriment in our halls and classrooms. Freddy is a talented saxophone player who is often seen playing with Nickey Saunders' Orchestra at nearby dances.

Band 1, 2, Orchestra 2, Relay 3, 4



FREDERICK PUTNAM BRIGHAM

Not too serious, not too gay,
A good fellow in every way.

Freddie is one of the silent members of the senior class, but once you get to know him you'll find him a lot of fun. He attends all school functions and knows his sports well. Freddy plans to attend Yale when he finishes high school. We all wish you a great deal of success in the future, Freddy.

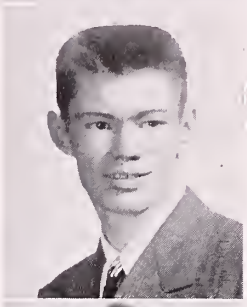
Dramatic Club 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee 3

NANCY CAROLINE BROOKS

Thy smile becomes thee well.

Though Nance has only been with us since her junior year, she has created quite an impression. We hear she likes to knit. Confidentially, she's been knitting a sweater for two years. She does have a talent though, for making jewelry, and she loves to dance. Good luck on that sweater.

Christmas Party 4

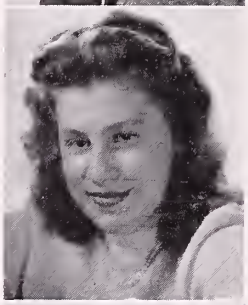


HENRY PHILIP BRUNELL

Let the world slide by, what care I.

Hank is a tall sandy-haired fellow whose main interests in school are math and reading. He has a great deal of dramatic ability. He also likes sports and has played football and has been on a hockey team for two years. Hank wants to be a teacher-coach after high school.

Football 2, 3, Track 2, 4, Class Relay 4, Camera Club, Home Room Representative



GLORIA ELIZABETH BURATTI

Life is too short to worry.

Gloria is the peppy individual who serves as secretary to Miss Dunn. She has filled this position in the part-time course during her senior year. Gloria likes all sports, but her favorite is basketball. A good mixer, enthusiastic supporter of school activities, and well liked by all who know her, Gloria would like to be a hairdresser after graduation.

Dramatic Club 2

GLORIA THERESA BURKE

The light that shines in her sparkling eyes bespeaks a divinely good nature.

Good-natured and easy-to-get-along with, Gloria's cheerful disposition is a great asset and has won her many friends. Her chief interest out of school is roller skating, which she does exceptionally well. She intends to become a bookkeeper.

Basketball, Volleyball 3, 4

LORRAINE MARIE CABANA

Success awaits the one who tries.

A member of the general course whose favorite study has been English, Lorraine has left with us an impression of a person characterized by quiet reserve, conscientiousness, and a pleasant disposition. While she has taken part in the school basketball program, her interests have been outside of school and have been centered in dancing, roller skating, and the movies. Lorraine has given no indication of her plans for later life, but we feel that she has a successful and happy future awaiting her.

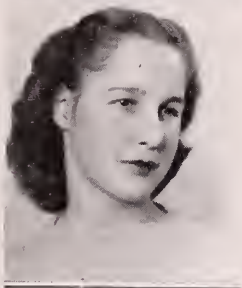
Basketball 1

ELTON SHERWOOD CALL

There is mischief in this man.

Elton comes to us from Pepperell High after twenty-one months in the Navy. Cupie, as he is called, likes music, dancing, and his dancing partners. Confidentially, they seem to like him too. He is taking up the machinist trade and intends to follow this trade in later years.

Navy 1944-46

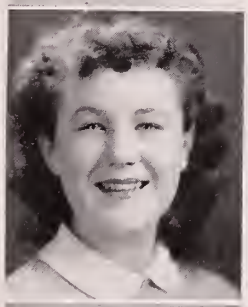


SHIRLEY RUTH CALVERT

She who sows courtesy, reaps friendship.

A tall, pert girl with lovely brown hair and a roses and cream complexion, Shirley is always busy in dramatics or music and finds relaxation in knitting. A tireless knitter, she makes the most beautiful mittens, scarves, and sweaters for her friends. Shirley's clothes have "know-how"! With her sweet smile and her lovely personality, a grand person!

Youth Library Committee 3, Dramatic Club 3, 4



DOROTHY MARY CARLSON

Merry mischief in her eye.

Dot's good humor and well-rounded personality are appreciated by all who know her. She is an ardent sports enthusiast and also enjoys participating in sports. After school she keeps herself busy working part-time. Dot plans to be another one of our faithful telephone operators.

Basketball 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 4

GEORGE ANDERSON CARLSON

An intellect with force and skill
To strive, to fashion, and fulfill.

The pipe—the glasses—who could it be but George! And can he debate! He likes classical music and better than that, knows a great deal about it, having an extensive collection of this type of recordings. An extensive reader, an active Boy Scout, possessing a sympathetic and understanding nature, he has endeared himself as a sincere friend.

Debating Club 1, 2, 3, 4

GLORIA ANGELA CASELLA

Her eyes sparkle as clear mountain waters.

Gloria has the dancing dark eyes of a true brunette. Her entire appearance reflects friendliness. Her charming smile and personality have won her many friends. She likes to skate, dance, and read during her spare time. Where she finds it, we hardly know since she has also worked after school. After graduation she plans to continue in the business field.

Student Council 1, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3

PAULINE FRANCES CASEY

Light-hearted and content, I wander through the world.

Pauline is a dark-eyed lass known to her many friends as Dolly. Her smile and personality add a great deal to the attractiveness of our class. Although Pauline has many hobbies, her greatest ambition is to design clothes. She has been rather quiet about her plans for the future.

MARY ANNE CASTELLI

Little friends always prove great friends.

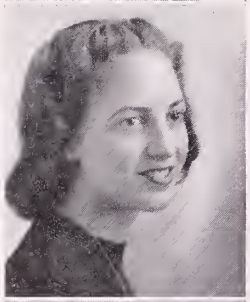
That whizzing object which picks up speed on Water Street, gains more momentum on Main, becomes invisible on Prichard, and blasts through the east entrance is Mary. She is never still. We have heard that school is only a side-line to her and she attends from force of habit. She loves dancing and the Cumings is a favorite with her.

IRENE EXILDA CHALIFOUX

I chatter, chatter as I go.

Irene, short but lively, has a devilish twinkle in her eyes. All her friends vouch for her wonderful sense of humor. Irene always looks as though she just stepped out of a fashion magazine. Her favorite pastimes are dancing and eating. Irene has no definite plans for the future as yet.

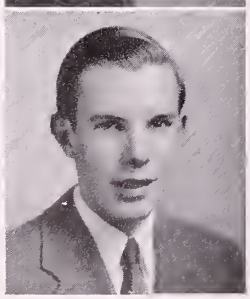
Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Class Color and Flower Committee, Freshmen Councilor, Freshman and Sophomore Committee



JEAN BARBARA CHALMERS

Happy as the day is long.

Jean, an attractive, well-liked girl from Westminster, can always be seen dashing from class to class. She is a lover of horses and from what we can gather, an excellent rider. After school she works at the telephone office in her home town. Jean finds time also for school work as her honor marks indicate.



RICHARD DONELSON CHANDLER

Of the great outdoors, he knows much.

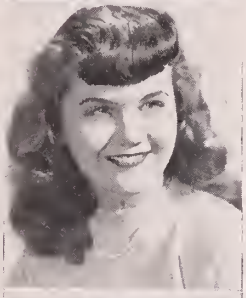
Tall and sandy-haired, shy until you know him, Chick regards girls with an air of indifference. Being what we would call a typical outdoor boy, he engages in every sport from basketball to fishing. He has a passion for motorcycles, and can be seen any time of day whizzing precariously around street corners. Chick's plans for the future are incomplete.

ROBERT BRUCE CHAPMAN

A kinder gentleman treads not the earth.

Bob is the fellow you see rushing about school. He always appears to be very busy but sometimes appearances are deceiving. Bob's favorite sport is basketball. He coaches a junior team at the Y. M. C. A. He is a faithful sports rooter and attends all school functions. Bob is always a lot of fun and his presence insures a good time.

Basketball, Relay 3, 4, Class Motto Committee 3, Round Table 4



LORRAINE CHIVILO

Most of the world's progress has come out of quietness.

Lorraine, better known by her friends as Laurie, is the girl noted for her long eyelashes and pretty hair. She is tall and has a quiet manner. As a part-timer she has proved to be a very capable worker. In the summer Laurie spends a lot of her spare time swimming and sailing. Her plans after graduation are indefinite.

Volleyball 2, Basketball 2, 3, 4

HELEN LOUISE CLARK

A laugh and a smile for everyone.

Helen is generally happy and has a ready smile. Her sparkling eyes reflect her gay personality. Honey, as she is affectionately called by her friends, is especially fond of dancing. Wherever there is fun and excitement, Helen will be there.

Dramatic Club, Glee Club 2, 3, 4

LUCILLE JOHANNA COFMAN

Her little tongue is never still,
Talk it must, and talk it will.

Babsy is one of the better girl athletes in school. She is scholastically inclined as well as athletically. Being short and light weight, she can do all sorts of stunts and is filled with energy. As the president of the Girls' Debating Club, she leads her classmates in this field. She plans to enter the Sargent School of Physical Education after graduation.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Tennis, Debating Club 3, 4, Assembly Committee 4, Youth Library Committee, Gold F 4, Glee Club 2, 3, 4

GLORIA ELENA COLELLO

If we cannot strew life's path with flowers,
We can at least strew it with smiles.

Gloria is that pretty black-haired girl who always dresses so attractively and has such a lovely smile for everyone. For recreation she likes to take automobile rides and go to the movies. She also likes to watch baseball games at a local playground. Gloria plans to be an executive secretary. We know she'll do well!

MARGARET ANNE CONDON

It is more wise to be a listener, than to say too much.

Peggy—a pretty blonde, blue-eyed majorette with a friendly personality. She has made many friends while working as a soda-jerk at Liggett's after school. Peg loves to dance and can usually be seen on Saturdays at T. A. C. She tells us that her favorite pastime is sleeping until noon.

Majorette 3, 4

IRENE THERESA CONLON

Faithfulness and sincerity are the highest qualities.

Irene, one of our more quiet classmates, is known to all her friends for her pretty hands. When it comes to art, you will find Irene at the head of the class. She is one of the designers of our school flag. Although she has no definite plans for the future, Irene would like very much to go to art school, and to enter the field of commercial art.

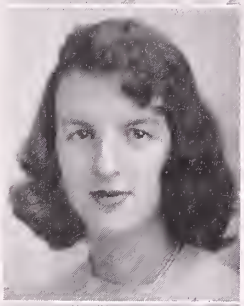
Dramatic Club, Orchestra 1, 2, Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Thanksgiving Dance Committee, Glee Club 4, Junior-Senior Christmas Party 3

NANCY COPELAND

Some like work, some like play—I like both.

Nancy, better known by her friends as Nan, is a small doll-like beauty. She always has a cheery hello for everyone and her sense of humor is very keen. Her acting ability has been outstanding in high school. She is also clever at the piano and enjoys classical music. Someday Nan hopes to be an interior decorator. She has a good start as her very presence is an attractive addition to any room or gathering.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, One Act Plays 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Play, Class Book Committee, Gold F, Assembly Committee 4



CELIA AGNES COTE

Thought is deeper than all speed.

Sis is a quiet girl, with the dignity proper to a senior. Her secret ambition, an unusual one for a girl, is to become a lawyer. Celia spends much of her leisure time reading and knitting. We predict a promising future for this industrious young lady.

Debating Club 1, 2, Tennis, Glee Club 2, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club 2, 4, Home Room Representative 3, Round Table, Gold F 4

ARMAND WILLIAM COURTEMANCHE

The blush is beautiful but it is sometimes inconvenient.

Bill is one of the quiet boys of our class. Hailing from South Fitchburg, he may be seen traveling on the Leominster bus. Dancing is one of his favorite pastimes, and he does a very smooth waltz. We also hear that he enjoys speaking Spanish. His thoughtful manner has hidden his future plans but keep your eyes on him, we predict something great.

Dramatic Club 1, 2

MARIE KATHERINE CRAVEDI

Her voice was ever sweet and low.

Marie soft-spoken and quiet of manner, is a sincere friend to all who know her. Her dark, wavy hair and beautiful hand-knit sweaters have drawn many an envious glance from the girls. Marie has a very sweet singing voice to match her personality, and has an appreciation of classical music. She plans to go into nursing after graduation.

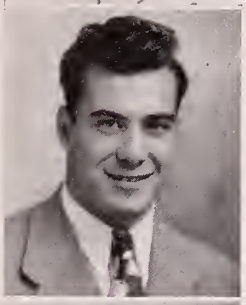
Volleyball 1, 2, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, Field Hockey 2, Glee Club 1, 2

BARBARA WINIFRED CROCKFORD

She is little, she is wise,
She's a terror for her size.

Pudgy is peppy, dark-eyed, and dark-haired. She talks incessantly. She loves ski pants and dungarees, excels in dancing, which is her favorite pastime. She can usually be seen running—not walking—down the corridor. Barb is popular with fellows and girls alike. Her plans for the future are indefinite.

Band 2, 3, 4, Orchestra 2



RICHARD FRANCIS CROHAN

His limbs were cut in manly mold,
For hardy sports, in contest bold.

Dick is a husky lad who originally came from New York. He is quite popular with his classmates and always will be remembered by his fine football playing. His main interests seem to be sports for he is also a fine skier and swimmer. He is attracted to the opposite sex and vice versa.

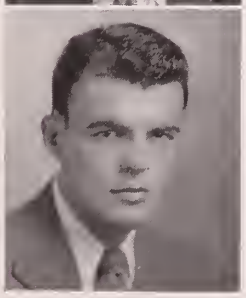
Football 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3

GILBERT DAVIS CURRIER

Worry never bothered him.

Gil is perhaps the most air-minded senior we have. He holds a pilot's license and is an active member in the flying club. Photography is another one of his interests. Gil is thinking about undertaking as a profession although he doesn't say very much about it.

Home Room Representative 2, Flying Club 3, Camera Club 4



WILLIAM JOSEPH DARCY

He hath sailed the briny deep.

Darce is one of our returned G. I.'s who joined our class after two and one half years of service with the Navy in the Pacific theater of war. He was a member of the class of 1945 prior to enlistment. He was a member of both the football and basketball teams in his sophomore year. As in the case of all veterans he was ineligible to compete in athletics after his return from service.

Football, Basketball 2, Navy - March 1944–June 1946

WILLIAM GEORGE DAULTON

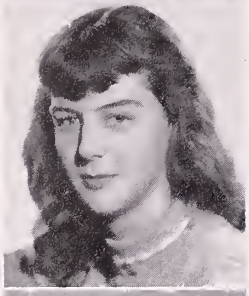
The price of wisdom is above riches.

George likes all sports especially trout fishing. He is bashful and afraid of girls. The boys call him Bill. He is in the woodworking course. He has no idea of what he will do after leaving school but may prove to be the one with the solution for the housing shortage.

FRANCIS NORMAN DAUPHINAIS

My chief pleasure lies in my work.

Duffy is another one of the fellows from West Fitchburg. He really enjoys his work whatever it may be. Of a rather quiet nature, he is usually very well dressed. Hunting, fishing, and hockey are of great interest to Duffy.



ELEANOR MAE DEGEN

My, how she can talk.

Gifted with lovely brown eyes, cheerfulness, and common sense, Ellie is as true a friend as anyone might want to have. One of her favorite activities is horseback riding. She finds it difficult to resist buying attractive jewelry. Ellie's interests, after graduation, are directed toward the nursing profession.

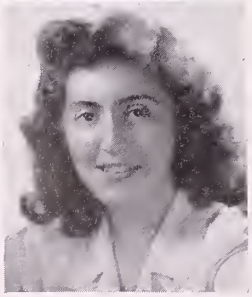
Dramatic Club 1, 2, Band 2, 3, Basketball, Volleyball, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3

EDITH LOUISE DEMPSEY

Who can forget her pleasant ways?

Diz has a very pleasing personality and her wittiness makes her well liked by all whom she meets. Although she appears to be quiet she makes a very sincere friend. She loves to roller skate and is quite a fourteen-step artist on them. Her future plans are not definite but we hear that she would like to be a hairdresser.

Basketball 1, 2, Dramatic Club 2, 3



NANCY MARY DERDERIAN

Without a little laughter there is no joy.

Nancy is a very conscientious student who has earned excellent grades from the very beginning. She has a very agreeable and lovable nature. Though she may seem a wee bit shy to most people, Nancy really is an active young lady, a loyal and true friend.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball 2, Gold F

AGNES ARMINA DEROIAN

Her quiet nature seemed to be tuned to each season's harmony.

Aggie is that quiet girl with the jet black hair. Her olive complexion contrasts beautifully with her ebony halo. Since childhood she has sung with the Christ Church choir. Her zeal for sports may be readily deduced by her presence at all school games. During her senior year she worked part-time for Mr. Butler and Mr. Dufour. She plans to become a secretary.

HARDY DERON DEROIAN

Speech is good, but silence is golden.

Hardy is interested in things military and particularly in that phase of it that deals with aviation. Not only does he fly but he has studied the mechanics connected with planes. He also likes photography, belongs to the Camera Club, and keeps busy taking pictures. He manages to find time to get a true grasp of his school subjects and keep up on world affairs.

Camera Club

BETTY LOUISE DESCHENES

In every gesture, dignity.

Peaches is a tall pretty blonde, noted for her sweet smile and attractive clothes. She does excellent school work, works after school and still has time for numerous hobbies. Peaches collects toy dogs; she likes swimming, particularly in Maine, enjoys ice skating and driving an automobile. She has no definite plans for the future but would like to go to college.

Gold F

BARBARA ANN DESMOND

Good nature is a charm that wins many friends.

Bobby is tall, has beautiful eyes, and hails from the little town of Shirley. She is one of our livelier classmates, always ready for a good time. Horseback riding is one of her favorite sports, but she excels in most. Bobby can usually be seen refusing gum on the fourth floor.

Field Hockey 2, Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Dues Committee, Dramatic Club 4

PHYLLIS THERESA DESMOND

The joy of youth and health, her eyes displayed,
And ease of heart her every look conveyed.

Phyl, the other half of the Desmond twins, has many of the characteristics, likes, and dislikes which are noted in Bobby. Only her closest friends can distinguish Phyl from her twin. However there are differences which can be noted by those of us who have come to know her. After graduation Phyl would like to be a dental hygienist.

Field Hockey 2, Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Class Color and Flower Committee 3, Class Book Committee, Dramatic Club 4

JEAN ELLEN DE SOUSA

A miss, full of grace, force, and fascination.

Jean is always happy, full of excitement and gaiety. She has a pleasing smile and a bubbling personality. Her friends find her heaps of fun. Roller skating rates first with Jean in sports. When winter rolls around ice skating is tops with her. The future—maybe the Ice Follies.

Basketball, Volleyball 2

MARY DE PERRI

Dark hair, dark eyes, a pleasant combination.

Mary has long, jet black hair. She is one of the few senior girls who have a driver's license. Her efficiency and orderliness have been shown through her duties as a part-timer in the office. Sports have always interested her, and way back in grammar school she was quite a volleyball star. She plans to continue in the business field.

Basketball 2, 3, Volleyball 3

JAMES DI PRIMA

The music of the orchestra was not a fault of mine.

Jimmy is liked by everyone. No matter when you meet him he has a smile for you. When it comes to playing the trumpet, Jimmy is a second Harry James. He has no definite plans for the future, but if he goes on with his music, he should be a real success.

Band, Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Christmas Party

NANCY MAE DOCEKAL

How rare, how precious is frivolity.

Nance is the latest addition to our class—having dropped in on us at the mid-year mark in our senior year. She spent her high school time between Lunenburg High and Cushing Academy. She is a lover of athletics, having participated in basketball and field hockey. She has taken part in dramatics in both schools. Her pleasant disposition should win her many friends during the remainder of her stay with us.

MARIAN KATHERINE DONAHUE

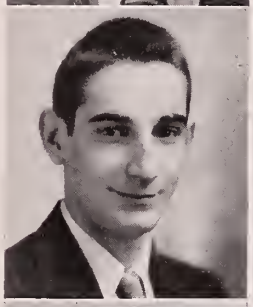
A light heart lives long.

Marian is one small town gal who spends most of her time horseback riding. She has her own horse and is an excellent rider. Because she has to catch a bus right after school, not too many people really know her. However, when you see laughing brown eyes and a pleasant smile, you'll know it's Marian.

DONALD WILLIAM DOUGLAS

Art is music to the soul.

Don is a very quiet fellow. His hair is dark and quite wavy and his eyes are almost black. Don has been excellent in art ever since the grades. He has won prizes in several contests. He works in a drug store, but we're sure his career will be art, not soda-jerking.



EDWARD JOSEPH DUBE

Not much talk, a great big silence.

Eddie is one of the few quiet boys in the senior class. Maybe it's because he has to get up bright and early to come down from Westminster every morning. He's well liked by his classmates despite his shyness. We wonder if he will ever stop beaming like a red light when a girl speaks to him. What's the matter Eddie, do they scare you?

Band 2, 3, 4

EVERETT HASKELL DUDLEY, JR.

At each stride, a mile is measured.

Everett came to us from Loomis School and has been a big help in making our senior year a great success. Our only regret is that he didn't come to us earlier. He attends all school functions and is an accomplished dancer. We know that with Everett's great oratory he will certainly reach the top.

Dramatic Club, Class Play, Radio Club, Class Book Committee 4

ROBERT THOMAS DUNCAN

His knees, without damage, a bit nearer might be.

Bob, or Dunc as he is known to most of us, is one of our best all-around athletes. He was particularly adept in calling plays this year for our football team and has been continually outstanding on our basketball team. He also catches for our baseball team. You can always tell when Dunc is around because he always has a smile and a good word for everyone.

Baseball, Football, Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Relay 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Christmas Party 3, Student Council, Youth Library Committee 4

JAMES GORDON DURBIN

Sound reasoning is a true virtue.

A profound thinker, Jim is tops in the scientific field. He is always eager for a discussion on some scientific subject. He is known for his height, blonde hair, and black and white checked shirt. Durb is loyal both to his friends and to his class. Although he is usually busy, he's always willing to help someone. Jim is certain to attain success in his chosen field of nuclear physics.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Book Committee, Assembly Committee, Christmas Party 4

GORDON PARKS DURLING

Good temper is like a sunny day.

Gordon is a student in the auto-mechanics course and is very interested in that trade. His hobbies are mechanics and dancing. He is interested in practically every sport but give him an automobile to fix and he is happy.

Relay 3, 4

RUPERT HARTLEY EDES, JR.

And back again his curls he threw.

Hartley is the tall, grinning boy who wanders around the corridors. His grin is accompanied by very attractive dimples and is topped off with long, wavy, blonde hair, his pride and joy. He's fond of long walks, of course with a companion. Tolerates study—for somebody else.

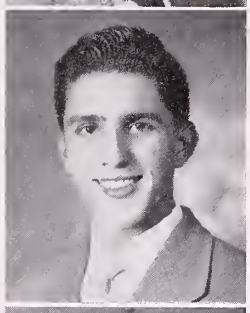
Camera Club

JOHN ELEFTHERIO

Men of few words are the best.

Johnny is a quiet fellow but very nice to know. He was a member of the Junior Prom Committee and an honor student whose favorite subjects are Math and Physics. After high school he plans to study optometry. Johnny has been one of our industrious boys and has spent his afternoons working at Drury's.

Junior Prom Committee 3, Thanksgiving Dance Committee, Gold F 4



PHILIP ELLIA

Silent and steadfast.

Phil is a very good-natured fellow, and has a friendly way with everybody. He is not known very much around school, but the people who know him appreciate him. Phil plans to attend a school of accounting.

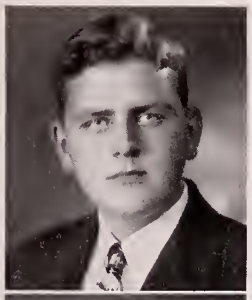
Relay 3, 4

ALIDA CLAIRE ERICKSON

Fair golden daffodil, stately and tall.

Alida known to all as Al, is a tall, attractive blonde. She has a cordial smile and friendly disposition. Her capable acting ability has been outstanding in many of our school plays. Sports enter into her hobbies and she is especially fond of swimming and skiing. After graduation she plans to make a career of nursing and we know she will have great success in this field.

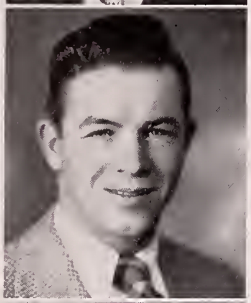
Basketball 1, 2, Dramatic Club, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Class Color and Flower Committee, Radio Club 3, Class Play, Gold F 4



GORDON LEE ERICKSON

I always dodge the scales.

Lee is always good-natured and looks on the bright side of life. Besides his studies and school activities, among which are dramatics, sports, and music, he finds time to belong to the National Guard. During the Youth Library Campaign, Lee worked hard as one of our school representatives.



GRAYDON ALDRICH ERICKSON

He soars through the air with the greatest of ease,
This daring young man on high flying skiis.

Gradie is another one of the returned G. I's who joined our class after two and one half years of service with the Naval Force in the Atlantic. He was a member of the class of 1945 prior to his enlistment. His first three years of high school were spent at Cushing Academy where he was a member of the football team. He also excelled in skiing, having been a member of the ski team at Cushing.

Navy - November 1945–October 1947

COURTNEY HAROLD ERVIN

A man every inch and six feet tall.

Corky, who joined us in our junior year, is one of our athletic stars. Tall and bashful, he made all the girls sigh at first glance. However, his interests all center around one person. A natural in all sports he plans to make baseball his career, and we hope he succeeds.

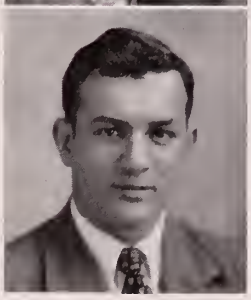
Baseball, Basketball, Relay 3, 4, Football, Student Council 4

MICHAEL ANGELO FASANO, JR.

His good humor is never exhausted.

Mike has a very friendly nature and an appealing personality. He is quiet in school, but is mischievous out of school. He is a fine piano player and has played at our senior assemblies. His future may be music but we look to see him as a theater manager.

Camera Club, Youth Library Committee, Christmas Party 4



HARRY NATHAN FEINBERG

We shall never see his equal again.

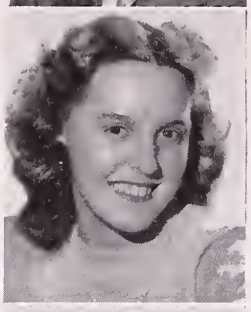
Harry is just the boy to liven the spirit of any classroom. Carefree but studious he always has plenty of witty remarks on hand. Harry works part-time in his father's store, maybe that's where he gets the gum. After graduation Harry would like to attend Boston University and become a pharmacist.

WALTER AIME FIFE

His brush could paint whate'er his soul designed.

Wally, one of our quiet boys, is a good football player and an ardent lover of skiing. You may not realize it but Wally can do wonders with oil paints. He is very modest about his work in this line. He is noted for the smart way in which he dresses and his neat appearance.

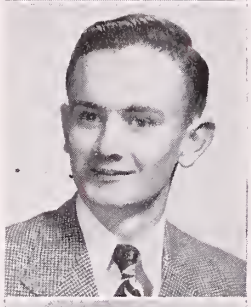
Basketball, Baseball 2, Football 3, 4



BARBARA CHARLOTTE FISHER

On with the fun, let the dance begin.

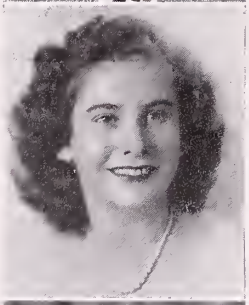
A small, dark brunette with a deep contralto voice, Barb is an ardent dance fan. She has a cheerful smile and is the happy-go-lucky type. She is an active member of the Tri-Hi-Y. Barb's riches are piled up by working after school at Dempsey's Drug Store. She plans to be a secretary after graduation.



GERARD HAMMOND FISKE

To look like a student, is to be one.

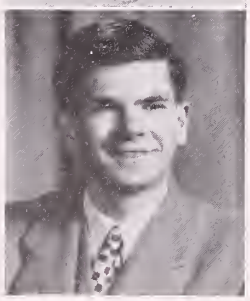
Ged's favorite hobby is photography and he hopes to continue studying it after he leaves school. He likes girls since they provide good material for photography and because he needs one to be his partner for dancing. He is now in the woodworking course.



HELEN CLAIRE FOREST

Full of fun, easy to please.

Helen is friendly and smiling and has that gift of naturally curly hair. She is artistically inclined and does water colors very well. She favors sport clothes and feels right at home in slacks. Having a yen for horses, she could sketch them for days. A fluent speaker of French, Helen can hold her own in any conversation. No matter where she goes, she will always get along.



JOSEPH WILLIAM FORGET

What's in a name?

Joe is a veteran of World War II. He came to Fitchburg High in his senior year. His high school education was interrupted by one and one-half years in the Army. He spent eleven months as an infantryman in Italy.

Army - January 1946–June 1947

DOROTHY LOUISE FORSS

She has a quiet and unassuming manner.

Dodo is talented but quiet. Her poetry has appeared time after time in the school magazine. She has studied music for a number of years and enjoys both popular and classical music. Ice skating and volleyball have long been two of her specialties.

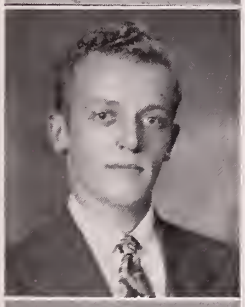
Glee Club 1, Dramatic Club 2, 4, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Junior Picnic Committee 3, Round Table 4

MARJORIE ALTHEA FORSS

A smile can go a long, long way.

Margie plays excellent basketball and is adept at sports. She is a nice dresser and although she is quiet she has many friends. She always has a cheery smile for everyone. May she never lose that smile which makes her one of the class favorites.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Gold F



GEORGE WILFRED FOURNIER

I drink the pure pleasures of the rural life.

George hails from that big town of Lunenburg. He entered our class in October after serving for two years in the United States Navy. He is easily recognized by his blonde curly hair. His hobbies are dancing and swimming. He delights in being mischievous in everything he does.

Navy, November 1945–October 1947

NANCY ANNE FRYE

Above the din of battle, you could hear her voice.

Nancy is bubbling over with energy. Her characterizations in Dramatic Club meetings are a proof of her talent. Intensely interested in the Radio Club, her low, pleasant voice is often heard broadcasting F. H. S. news. She also has a gifted voice for singing—it's a treat to hear her. Two of her favorite pastimes are dancing and swimming, in both of which she excels.

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Radio Club 3, 4, Youth Library Committee

THERESA MARIE FURLONG

She's pretty to walk with, and witty to talk with,
And pleasant, too, to think on.

Terry is a petite, popular girl who hails from West Fitchburg. She has a wonderful sense of humor, with a cute smile to match and loves to tease. Anyone will tell you she is an excellent dancer, and can be seen almost any Saturday night whirling around a local dance floor. As yet Terry's plans for the future are not definite.

Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Thanksgiving Dance Committee

EVA MARIE GAGNON

Not much talk, a great sweet silence.

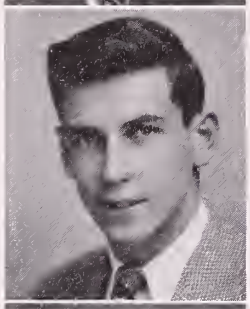
Eva is so quiet most of the time, that you almost forget she's around. One to mind her own business, she manages to get things done without any noise. She can be recognized by her long, curly hair. She has a ready smile and is pleasant to everyone.

JAMES JOHN GALLAGHER

Small of stature, but fleet of foot.

Jimmy is one of the pride and joy members of the senior class. He has brought much fame to us by his brilliant ability on the track. Jimmy ran in the New England Cross Country and qualified for the Eastern States Cross Country. An outstanding high school miler, he finished second in the state mile race. During the winter months, if you remained after school, you saw Jimmy running up and down the corridors getting in shape for indoor track meets. Jim is well liked by everyone and will always greet you with a smile.

Track 2, 3, 4, Debating Club, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Relay 3, 4, Class Book Committee 4

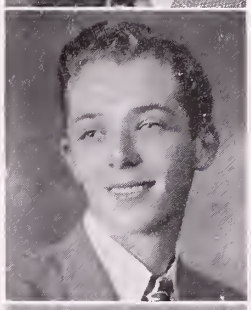


JOHN PAUL GATES

For he's a jolly good fellow.

John is a jovial fellow who never wears a frown. He is known for his proficiency in all athletics especially football. During his junior year he starred as quarterback on the football squad, but was hindered by a leg injury in his senior year. He also plays basketball and was one of the best runners on our relay team. His versatility and lively wit assure his success in anything he undertakes.

Football, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Home Room Representative, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Relay, Student Council, Christmas Party 3, 4, Assembly Committee, Thanksgiving Dance Committee, Youth Library Committee 4

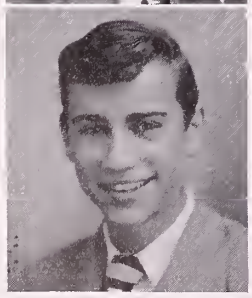


RICHARD EMERY GAY

Hark diligently when I speak, for not often do I speak.

Dick is another sportsman in our class. Spends most of his time hunting and fishing. Dick plans to go to an agricultural school. He hopes to have a large fruit farm. Dick is noted for his shyness and radiant smile. Best of luck with your farm!

Junior Prom Committee, Christmas Party 3, Camera Club 3, 4



PAUL PETER GELEP

He is small, but oh my!

Small of stature, with a mischievous gleam in his eyes, Paul is well-liked among all his classmates. He likes to ski and occasionally goes horseback riding. His ability to make friends will be an asset in his future life.

Dramatic Club, Cheer Leader 1, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Christmas Party 3, Class Book Committee 4

DINO ALBERT GIACOMOZZI

Much study is a worrier of the flesh.

Dino is one of the smallest and chubbiest boys in the senior class. Otherwise known as Spanky, Dino works part-time in Trottier's Camera Shop. He may be seen at a certain theatre in town any night of the week. He plans to continue in the field of photography.

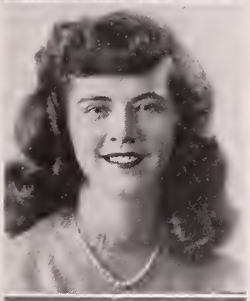
Camera Club

STEVEN GIACOPPE

A little nonsense now and then,
Is relished by the best of men.

Steve is one of our busiest members, participating in many school activities, among which are sports, class functions, and photography. The last is his main hobby and he and his camera can be seen at any school function from football games to dances.

Basketball, Track 3, 4, Camera Club, Class Ring Committee, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4



ANITA LORRAINE GIROUARD

Blessed with charm, a certainty to please.

Here is a girl who loves to take long hikes. Is that what keeps her so slim? The possessor of a charming personality and a winning smile, Anita sings and plays the piano quite well. We find it odd that she's interested in all her studies. She loves to meet people which accounts for her many friends.

JEANNE ANITA GLENNY

Never a dull moment.

Jeanne is a friendly person, and knows just about everyone. Like most girls, she enjoys sports and dancing. Whenever a current heart-throb even speaks to her, Jeanne's temperature rises. Her loyalty to her school has brought her to almost all the social functions and sports events.

Glee Club 1, 2, 4, Dramatic Club 1, 4, Basketball 3, 4

JAMES EDWARD GODLEY, JR.

Life is delight, away with dull care.

Jimmy is noted for his bobbing walk and his loud guffaw, which is emitted from his oral cavity every time that he and his comrades gather in the familiar group. He has been secretary of the Student Council for the past year and his associates all agree that he has made a very fine one. Jimmy has spent most of his spare time laboring on a farm in West Fitchburg. He plans to enter the worthy profession of farming after graduation.

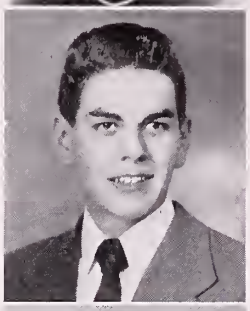
Relay 3, Track Manager, Student Council 3, 4, Class Ring Committee, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4

BEVERLY GOFF

Her shy manner hides a gay disposition.

Beverly is a quiet, dark-haired girl with a fascinating smile. Her residence is on the Ashby State Road, near Willard Brook. Strangely enough her favorite sport is football. She finds enjoyment in playing the piano.

Basketball 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 3, 4

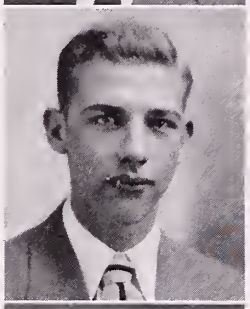


NELSON JULES GOGUEN

It is a quiet worker who succeeds.

Nelson, better known as Meno, has a cheery personality and an abundance of jokes which are enjoyed by all. Meno served as third baseman on our team last spring, and in addition likes sports of every kind. Those who know him well are aware of his keen interest in aviation and the many model planes he has made. After hard days in school, Meno helps his father in his pattern shop.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Home Room Representative 3, Baseball, Relay 3, 4, Christmas Party, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4

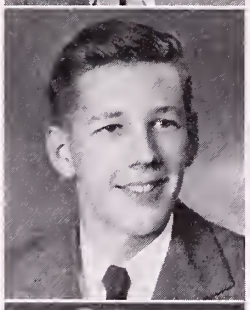


FRANCIS WILLIAM GRAMMEL

Hang sorrow, care will kill a cat,
So therefore let's be merry.

Fran is that dashing blonde who is gifted with a sense of humor and an abundance of common sense. During any of the major league games Fran can be found sitting by his radio. He also enjoys reading sports magazines. After graduation Fran plans to join the U. S. Marines.

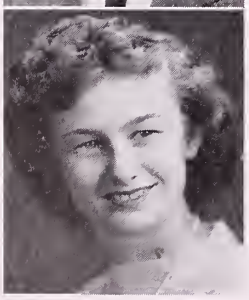
Football 2, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Christmas Party 4



ROBERT JOHN GRANT

He is a man, diligent in business.

A happy-go-lucky member of our class, Bob is a transfer student from St. Bernard's. His recreation follows rather a high plane since he likes to follow the "sport of kings." Bob's ambition is to have a position where he can rest his feet on a desk and issue the orders. So far his feet are still on the ground as he issues orders such as, "Ham on rye!" at his father's restaurant. Here's hoping Bob gets a chance to rest those feet before long.



ELEANOR RUTH GUENTHER

It is good to be serious, yet possess wit.

Modest and unassuming, Ellie has a knack for being seen and not heard. She has twinkling blue eyes, a pretty smile, and clothes that would catch anyone's eye. She hails from the South Side, and comes down from the hills to attend all the basketball and football games. Although she has tentative plans for working in an office, her ambitions for the future are not definite.

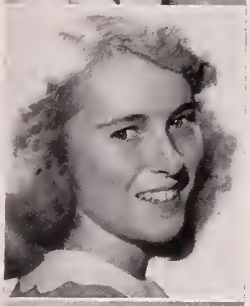
Basketball 2

CHARLOTTE ANN HAASE

It is the tranquil people that accomplish much.

Our Charlotte is a busy person of the commercial course who comes from up West Fitchburg way. Though quiet and reserved, she has a captivating smile which has won her many friends. A faithful rooter of all F. H. S. sports, Charlotte prefers basketball to the others. Her working ability has made her one of our outstanding commercial students.

Dramatic Club 3, 4, Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4

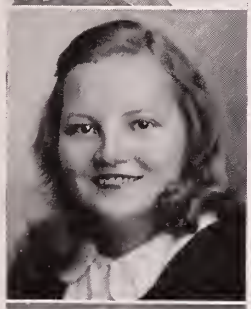


BETTY JANE HAGSTROM

Sing away sorrow, cast away care.

Betty is short, blonde and blue-eyed with a delightful disposition. She is industrious in her school work. Betty likes basketball, skating, volleyball, and will try her luck in anything once. Betty collects records, enjoys dancing, and does some sewing. She keeps busy afternoons working in a store.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3



EVA MARIA HAKALA

She works quietly all the day.

Eva is a silent miss whose beautiful, blonde hair too often remains unnoticed. She has a pleasing personality and a rather remarkable sense of humor. Eva has long been contributing excellent stories and poems to our school magazine. She is exceedingly bright but neither her geniality or personality has been affected by it.

BARBARA LOUISE HANNAH

A merry girl with a pleasant smile.

Anytime you see a well-dressed brunette in the corridors, it's most likely to be Barbara. She has a terrific yen for fashion magazines, and the clothes in them look as well on Barb as they do on the models. She's also crazy about movies and Connecticut. What's the attraction in Connecticut, Barb?

BETTE LOU HARRIS

Let's be gay, why worry.

You may recognize Bette by her pretty blue eyes and curly hair. She bubbles over with friendliness and good humor. A few of her many interests are dancing and collecting hit tunes. However, she also keeps busy working after school. The nursing profession may claim her after graduation.

NANCY ARLENE HARTFORD

Music aids the understanding.

Buzzy is one of the most regular rooters at our basketball games. Some say there is a reason. Always happy, she is quite an accomplished pianist and excels in classical music. Buzzy is the one you may have seen distributing and collecting the *Red & Gray* banners from the one hundred percent rooms.

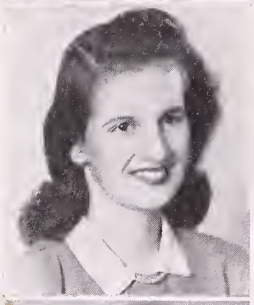
Dramatic Club 1, 2, Home Room Representative 3

INGA MILDRED HAUTALA

Those of few words are the best.

Though she is one of the shyer members of our class, Inga's interests are numerous and varied. Stamp collecting and photography have long been two of her hobbies. She is an intensive reader, and likes to delve into all types of subject material. Perhaps this is due to her exploring personality. Whatever her future plans may be, they will, no doubt, be in the commercial line.

Basketball 3, 4, Gold F 4



ESTHER IRENE HAWKINS

A gentle miss with quiet modest ways.

Esther has long, black hair and is very quiet. Her smile is one of sincerity and she seldom is without a merry twinkle in her eyes. She joined us in her junior year, coming from Canada. She plans to remain here to enter the field of nursing after graduation.

BEVERLY ANN HERMANSON

A good disposition is more valuable than gold.

Bev is the life of any party. There is always a smile on her lips and a joke on the end of her tongue. She is an ardent moviegoer and is fond of all sports. She has an attractive wardrobe and spends most of her hard-earned money on it. Bev plans to become a hairdresser so we'll know to whom to go when we want our hair curled.

GLORIA MATILDA HERTACH

Let's sing and enjoy the day.

Gloria is a girl with an inexhaustible supply of vigor and is forever on the go. In the line of sports, she enjoys swimming most. During the summer she spends more of her time in the water than on land. A college course pupil, she works very hard at her studies and attains good marks.

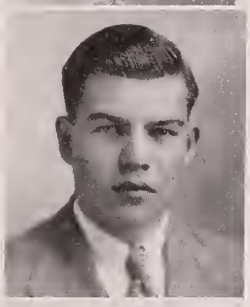
Field Hockey 2, Volleyball 2, 4, Glee Club 2, 3, 4,
Basketball 3

NORMA LOUISE HESSELGREN

My hair is white though not with age.

Norma is that pretty platinum blonde you see in the corridors flashing a friendly smile for everyone. She has many hobbies, among them skiing and swimming. She also likes to dance very much. She is fond of knitting and knits very nicely. Norma has no definite plans for the future but she would like to go to college.

Volleyball 3, 4

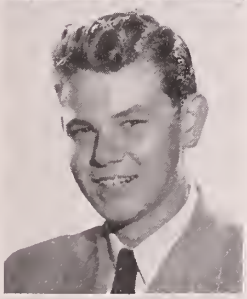


HENRY EUGENE HIRVI

He is a man of silence and of sense.

Henry is one of our serious minded classmates. He is a good scholar with a lot of ability. No school function goes by without seeing Henry there. Henry comes into the city from his farm on Townsend road in his converted model T Ford. We don't know what it's converted into but it manages to make it. Certainly anyone who can make that car run must have a great deal of talent.

Gold F



DAVID JOHNSTON HOLDEN

A youth light-hearted and content.

Dave, who comes from Shirley, has demonstrated his dramatic ability on many occasions. He is an honor student and an excellent tennis player. Dave's good looks and friendly smile make him a favorite with the girls. He enjoys skiing and other outdoor sports. He has served as home room representative to the student council during the year of its existence. Probably another Don Budge.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Class Motto Committee 3, Tennis, Home Room Representative 3, 4, Round Table, Class Book Committee 4

DORYA MAY HOLMBERG

Laughing eyes and a merry soul and a merry, merry heart.

Dorya is the possessor of that smiling face and infectious laugh that you have heard in the corridor. Dorya must have been first in line when the dimples were given out, for she has only to say "Hi" and her face is instantly dented with those big dimples. Dorya is interested in music and is a talented pianist. She hopes to enter the University of Massachusetts in the fall.

Volleyball 1, 2, 3, Basketball 2, 3, Dramatic Club, Gold F

JANET ARLENE HOLMES

Smiles draw smiles.

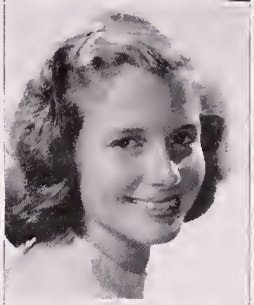
Janet is one of our Westminster students. She is small in size, but has a large amount of intelligence. She is probably one of the most cheerful girls we know, for she's always singing and laughing. In her spare time Janet gives piano lessons to a small group of pupils. She also has a fine singing voice about which she is very modest.

ELEANOR MAE HONKONEN

If one could only have that little head of hers.

Eleanor is that attractive blonde with the wee voice and warm smile. She is a very bright girl, being a special honor student. For two years she has served on the *Red & Gray* board covering School Notes. On her sports agenda are basketball, tennis, and swimming. Her hobby is dancing. Eleanor is interested in commercial buying and may continue in this field after school.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, *Red & Gray* 3, 4, Dramatic Club



JEAN FRANCES HOPLEY

As jovial a classmate as can be.

Jeanabelle, as she is called by her friends, is full of liveliness and fun. She has a friendly personality and is liked by everyone. Her outstanding characteristics are a sparkling smile and an unusual giggle. Jean loves sports, especially skiing, bike riding, and tennis. She is the girl tennis champion of the school. Particularly gifted with a creative imagination.

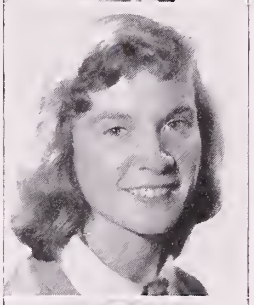
Field Hockey 1, 2, Basketball, Volleyball, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Tennis, Band 3, 4, Camera Club, *Red & Gray*, Home Room Representative, Round Table, Class Ring Committee, Assembly Committee 4

DOROTHY EILEEN HUGHES

Breezy and jolly is she always.

The word cute was meant for Dot. Her lively personality is one of the things which make her so well-liked. Her studies don't cause her very much trouble and she keeps busy with many other activities such as a gymnastic course at Turner Hall. She is also fond of music and dancing.

Camera Club 3, Basketball 3, 4, Dramatic Club 4

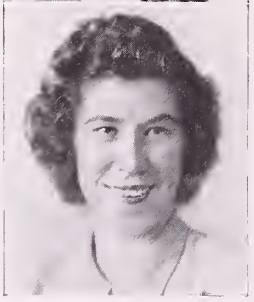


PAULINE FRANCES HUGHES

She is so free, so apt, so blessed in disposition.

Poppy is that sweet little girl with the red hair. She is always full of pep and chatting to her friends about something or other. She is noted as one of the fastest basketball players we have. Though she is small, her personality is large enough for an Amazon. Poppy plans to enter upon a nursing career after graduation.

Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club



BERTHA ALTHEA HURD

Silence is one great art of conversation.

Bertha is a quiet senior from Ashburnham. She enjoys all sports, especially basketball and tennis. Her leisure time is spent making puzzles and reading. A general course student, Bertha plans to enter Wellesley College after graduation.

LORETTE MAY ISABELLE

The kind of lass, who doesn't shirk
But always strives to do her work.

Lorette is the girl with a spark of mischief in her. Interested in school functions, she has attended nearly every one. Though Lorette is an energetic lass, she has her quiet side, too. When she's not skating or dancing, she is employed at Parke Snow's as a clerk and a very good one.

Basketball, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Junior Prom Committee, Home Room Representative 3

JOHN BURGESS JUNKALA

Enjoy the present smiling hour
And put it out of fortune's power.

Besides his school work John finds time to be a member of the National Guard and an usher at the Fitchburg Theater. He has a persuasive manner of speaking which stands him in good stead in his class. Energetic, serious, and sincere, he will obtain the most out of anything he undertakes.

Dramatic Club, Round Table 4

BEVERLY AVIS KADDY

She has wit, and fun, and fire.

Bev is one of our most popular girls—a flash of blonde hair, blue eyes, and a laughing face are all you can see as she whizzes by to her various activities. Bev has been active in all the school functions. She is very sportsminded. Excelling in volleyball, basketball, and tennis in school, swimming and skiing in her leisure time out of school. When time and funds permit she may be seen at the local airport getting in her hours with a student pilot's license.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Home Room Representative 1, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Class Motto Committee, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Debating Club, Senior Dues Committee 4

LORRAINE MAE KASARI

A natural if there ever was one.

Lorraine's exceptional artistic ability has been known to all since entering high school. Her love for music led to the study of the piano and she has a varied collection of records. Unknown to some, she has a very mischievous streak in her. Active in sports and all school activities, Lorraine managed to keep her name on the special honor roll and to fill the responsible position of editor for the *Red & Gray*.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Gold F, Class Book Committee 4

JOAN PATRICIA KELLY

With sparkling bits of humor, she could drive the blues away.

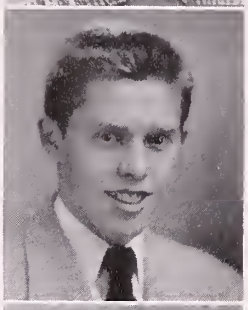
Joan is noted for her sparkling, sunny disposition. She is always active and bubbling with energy, although sometimes she sits long enough to do a little knitting. She is easy to get along with and has a most infectious laugh. She has worked part-time in the office of F. H. Lane Co. After graduation she plans to be a secretary.

Dramatic Club, Basketball 1, 2

ROSALIE KING

A merry heart and a cheerful countenance.

Rosalie is one of those students who really take pride in having their homework done. We hear she's quite a wonder in bookkeeping. Her pet hobby is collecting postcards. Outside of school, Rosalie is active in community work, and can always be found in one of Fitchburg's Youth Centers, helping out.

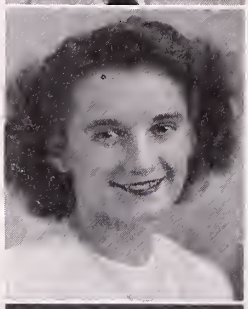


PAUL DONALD KINSLEY

Small but mighty.

Paul, a flaming red-head of minute stature, is liked by all who know him. He is an ardent baseball fan, and his favorite player is Joe Gordon. After graduation, Red is determined to be a cartoonist for some newspaper and we think he's well on his way. You will agree when you see some of his work in the sports section of the book.

Baseball 2, 3, 4, Student Council 3, Class Book Committee, Christmas Party, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4



FRANCES EMMA KINSMAN

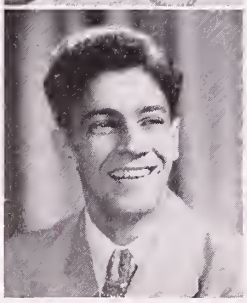
I am as quiet as a little lamb.

Franny is a neat, quiet, and sociable girl whose main recreational interests are roller skating and swimming. She can be seen daily at second lunch sitting near the jivey juke box—yes, she is also a music lover. After graduation, Franny expects to enter a near-by school for her nurse's training.

MARY ELIZABETH KITTRIDGE

Chatter helps the day roll by.

Mary is a good scout. She has been seen at most of the school dances, but seldom unattended. Popular among the students, she is always ready for a good time. Possessor of a cute smile, Mary uses it to good advantage. May it remain always with her to brighten the lives of those with whom she comes in contact.

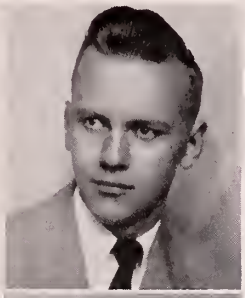


GEORGE ARDASH KOLJIAN

Pleasures are ever at our disposal.

George is studying electricity and intends to go to an electrical trade school and continue his studies there. He was on the track team in his sophomore year and on the relay team during his junior. In future years call Koljian when your lights go out.

Track 2



EDWIN ROY KOSKELA

Long, lank, and lean.

Eddie is one of our tall men. Most of his time is spent fishing and he tells some wonderful fish stories. His summers are spent at the family camp at Vinton Pond. We hear that there is also a girls' camp on that pond. Is that right Eddie? Eddie isn't sure of his future work, but we all wish him success in whatever field he chooses.

Basketball 2, 3, Track 2, 3, 4, Relay 3, Camera Club 4

NANCY ELIZABETH KOSKINEN

A thing of beauty is a joy forever.

Nancy is that cute blonde who always has a cheery smile for everyone. She can be seen any Saturday night at some local ballroom. Her favorite subject is Arts and Crafts and she excels in it. She is taking a correspondence course in art and hopes to become a fashion designer. Music is a joy to her and she has a fine record collection. Nancy really enjoys school and has been an honor student in the commercial course.

ANITA BARBARA KRUKLEY

Everything she does is always done well.

Known to her many friends as Ninnie, she can always be recognized by her contagious giggle. Ninnie is another honor student from Shirley. Her favorite sport is basketball. She likes Texas. Is it the horses, or the wide-open spaces?

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Field Hockey, Tennis, Volleyball 2, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Gold F, Glee Club 4

DAVID EDWARD KURIGER

A contented man is never poor.

Sonny—any girl's dream boy with his dark, curly hair and blue eyes. A little shy for a West Fitchburg boy. He is an ardent sports fan and enjoys a game of sandlot football with the gang. He plans to join the Navy after graduation.

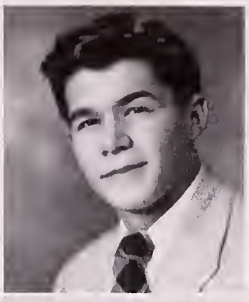
Orchestra 1, 2, Tennis 2, 3, Relay 3, 4, Camera Club, Radio Club, Good Government Group 4

JOAN STEPHEN KYVELOS

She adds to the sum of human joy.

Joan's carefree and friendly attitude make her a very likeable individual. She came to us from New York quite a number of years ago and from what we hear, prefers Fitchburg in every way. Sports, social activities, and school functions rank high on Joan's recreation list. With all her pep and vigor we know Joan will always be an active and alert worker.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Field Hockey 2



ROGER JOSEPH LANDRY

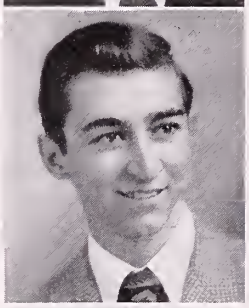
Quiet is he, but oh! a twinkle in his eye.

Roger is a short dark-haired lad who has the girls swooning over his cute smile. He has a mischievous twinkle in his eye that really sends them. Roger more than holds his own on the dance floor. After graduation he plans to enter a school in Boston to learn the mysteries of pharmacy.

WILFRED CRAIG LANE

Contentment furnishes constant joy.

Wilfred may be seen quite often at the Y. M. C. A. He's interested in baseball and football. As yet he is undecided what he will do for an occupation but he has been taking the electrical course and seems headed in that direction. Possessing a nice sense of humor and a pleasing personality he finds his true recreation in hunting, fishing, and bowling.



ALFRED HENRY LAREAU

Laughter and I are pals.

Al belongs to the small minority who take things as they come, and never worry about what is going to happen next. He has a nice sense of humor, is always jolly and ready for fun. Al is interested in all sports, particularly basketball which he plays with great enthusiasm. As yet he has made no definite plans for the future.

MARY SARAH LASHUA

A pleasant girl of the quiet type.

Mary is a girl of moods, sometimes quiet, sometimes talkative. An ardent movie fan, she also enjoys reading and almost all sports. She is another commuter from S. Ashburnham. Although one of the smaller members of the senior class, she possesses a great deal of perseverance and determination. Plans to visit California after graduation.

ELSIE ILONA LAURILA

So shines a good deed in a naughty world.

Twinkling eyes and always smiling, that's Elsie. Participation in debating and dramatics requires her excellent speaking ability. Always busy, she gives many excellent readings and is Chairman of the Backstage Property Committee. She also indulges in sports, especially basketball. Elsie has a great fondness for costume jewelry as her carefully chosen collection will attest. She has never been known to speak ill of anyone. Keep shining, Elsie!

Glee Club 1, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Class Play 2, Basketball 2, 4, Debating Club 3, 4

AUBREY ALLEN LAWRENCE

A good heart is better than all the heads in the world.

Aubrey spends most of his time chasing pheasants and deer. He is a sportsman of the first class. Aubrey is a playing member of the Fitchburg Hockey Club and sees a great deal of action. In the class room Aubrey seems quiet and reserved but don't let that fool you. He is fun loving and enjoys a good time.

DONALD ERIC LAWRENCE

Who says little, has little to answer for.

A student of few words, Donald is indeed a man of action on the basketball floor. He enjoys playing for the Westminster Indians, a basketball team sponsored by the American Legion. Hunting is his favorite pastime. Not only is he good as a marksman, but he has the patience and calmness needed by all good hunters. Donald hopes to fill the occupation of truck driver in the near future.

ELIZABETH LAWRENCE

Stately and tall with all the graces blest.

Serious minded, but never without a glowing smile describes our friend Betsy. She is one of our classmates who love doing things for others. If you want a job done well, ask Betsy. She's always willing to help. In addition to all the work she does in school, she really appreciates good music. Whatever Betsy plans to do, we feel very sure she will reach the goal of success.

Dramatic Club, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Basketball, Radio Club, Class Motto Committee 3, *Red & Gray*, Home Room Representative, Class Book Committee, Gold F 4

MARILYN THERESA LeBLANC

And she was wondrous small.

The old saying that good things come in small packages, certainly is true in Marilyn's case. Though one of our smallest classmates, she is one of the liveliest. As yet Lyn has no definite plans for the future, but she has always been interested in the medical profession. Marilyn enjoys dancing and sports of all kinds.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Field Hockey 2, Band 2, 3, 4, Class Play, Thanksgiving Dance Committee, Glee Club 4

RITA OVITA LeCLAIR

Happiness is the real object of living.

Rita possesses a winning smile and an easy going manner. Her favorite pastimes are going to a movie or dancing. At present Rita is employed at Brockelman's. After graduation Rita would like to go into training as a nurse at Worcester State Hospital.

Dramatic Club 2, 3

DOLORES ANN LEGER

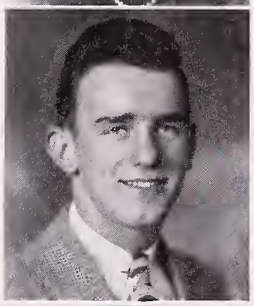
Sweet peace she brings, where'er she goes.

Dolly is a likeable girl. Her sincere attitude and pleasant smile add greatly to her popularity. She works every afternoon after school in the office of the Enterprise Store, and plans to continue there after graduation. It seems she is also a secret admirer of one of our basketball stars.

ANN VIOLA LEHTINEN

True to her words, her work, her friends.

Ann, tall, lovely, with her head high, seems to like everyone and to understand very clearly how they feel about everything. Music is a very important part of Ann's life. A skilled pianist and accompanist, she possesses a fine soprano voice. She is also interested in dramatics and is a member of the Backstage Property Committee. Always helpful, smiling, and sweet. A person to count on.



RICHARD DONALD LEMAY

He was made for wit and laughter.

Dick is our Cleghorn Casanova. Full of mischief and always ready with a snappy comeback. He's liked by everyone and is quite a ladies' man. You're very apt to see him sitting on the desk on the first floor before school giving out hearty good mornings to everyone.

Football 3, Track 4

NANCY CLAIRE LEONARD

Cheerfulness helps us along the path of life.

Nancy gets her exercise walking back and forth to school from Water Street each day. Although she has presented a rather serious aspect to her classmates those who have been close to her have found that she is really very jolly. Her favorite sport is horseback riding and she spends many Sunday afternoons in this manner.

Glee Club 1, 2

JEANNETTE MARY LEVESQUE

She must be known to be appreciated.

Quiet and shy, Jeannette possesses a sunny disposition. Her clothes are always in good taste and becoming. A resident of Shirley, she is an interesting conversationalist with a very captivating smile. Jeannette likes to make fudge, but never eats any of her own; maybe another Fanny Farmer.

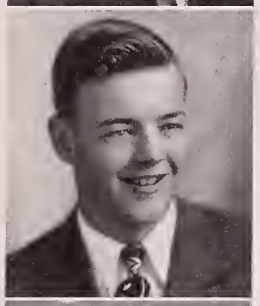
Dramatic Club 1, 2, Field Hockey, Tennis, Volleyball 2, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Glee Club 4

PHILIP MICHAEL LIVI

When I sleep, I dream of baseball.

Phil is one of those boys who rarely study, but whose intelligence shows through anyway. He always does his share of talking in class discussions, and more often than not has the whole class roaring at his corny wisecracks. A hard-working boy, Phil can be seen any afternoon sauntering off to Brockelman's. Phil's hobby is baseball, and he knows the Boston Braves backward and forward. His plans for the future are still unsettled.

Relay 3, Christmas Party, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4



LESTER EARL LOCKHART

Live while you live,
And seize the pleasures of the present day.

Les sports a crew cut and spontaneous grin. An all-around athlete, he enjoys swimming and skiing, and is a fast basketball player. In his spare time, Les drives an oil truck and is quite a good driver. School has not worried him too much as he has found enough enjoyment in drawing and sports to make it bearable.

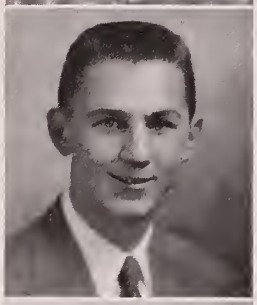
Basketball 1, 3, 4, Tennis, Dramatic Club 2, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Relay 3, 4, Baseball, Senior Prom Committee, Home Room Representative 4

EDITH LOWY

She speaks, behaves, and acts just as she ought.

Edith is one of the smaller members of our class. She has a friendly greeting for everyone, and her presence tends to add a cheerful informality to any group. Edith hails from Czechoslovakia, and it is her keenest ambition to visit there again. She plans to enter a school of accounting after graduation.

Dramatic 2



RICHARD EHNSTROM LUNDBERG

Good nature is the very air of a good mind.

Dick is one of the seemingly quiet members of our class although he is not so to his intimate friends. He has a ready sense of humor and keeps things happy in physics class with his witty remarks. He is especially proud of his hunting prowess although to our knowledge he has never shot anything. Dick plays varsity basketball and is an avid lover of skiing as well as tennis and does well in all sports. Dick is headed for Tufts and we are sure he will be a success because he is a conscientious student as well as a good mixer.

Tennis 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Color and Flower Committee, Basketball, Class Book, Senior Dues Committee, Home Room Representative, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4

ROBERT PHILIP LUOMA

A meek and quiet lad was he.

We believe the above quotation fits Bob like a glove. He is probably one lad you may have missed during our four years, if so, your loss is great. Characterized by good nature, seriousness, industriousness, and sincerity, Bob is an invaluable friend. His leisure time activities are those enjoyed by so many of his type, basketball, baseball, swimming, fishing, and the soothing quiet found in nature.

HELEN AILENE LUURU

Mischief is thy middle name.

Helen is not only one of our most care-free seniors, but unpredictable as well. She delights in playing practical jokes on people. A great deal of her time is spent in reading, and her wealth of knowledge covers a good many subjects. Helen loves good music—classical and modern as well—and will always be noted for her fine accordion playing.

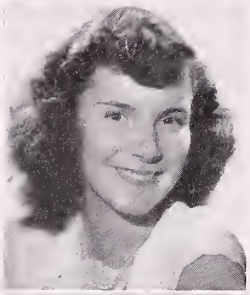
Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball 1, 2, 4, Field Hockey 2, Volleyball 3, 4, Tennis 4

LOIS CHRISTINE MacKENZIE

'Twas her thinking of others
That made you think of her.

Punky loves to laugh. Though shy at times, she has many friends. She excels in sports, and especially enjoys horseback riding and flying. Who knows, she may turn out be to another Amelia Earhart. She is a popular member of various clubs in the city. Her beautiful brown eyes, we suspect, have a depth of well-balanced intelligence and mischief behind them.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Class Ring Committee 3, Tennis, Student Council 4

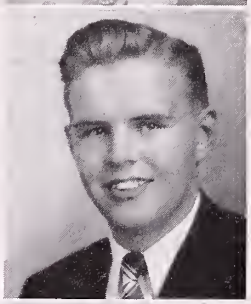


NICOLETTA DELORIS MALDARELLA

A brilliant ray of sunshine.

Nicky lost her bashfulness when she became a senior. Eating is her chief pastime although she enjoys roller skating, dancing and gymnastics. She has gone in for the last of these in a serious way at Turner Hall. Nicky likes basketball and dramatics as a spectator. Her ambition is to became a nurse.

Youth Library Committee 3



RICHARD WALTER MAKI

He was a gentle mannered man
With a pleasing countenance.

Dick is one student who owns a car. Math is Dick's meat and he thrives on the subject. Truly an outdoor type he spends his spare time fishing, hunting, and skiing. Dick seems to have made a good choice for a future vocation, in the General Electric Industrial School.

PAULINE MARY MAHAN

Little folks should be seen, not heard.

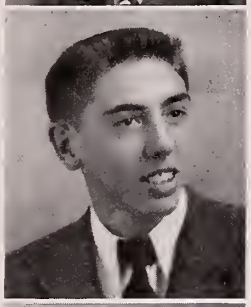
Pauline is short and blonde with an ever cheery disposition. Those blonde locks are naturally curly. She is a smart little dresser. Pauline is at ease in all situations and nothing worries her. Her favorite sports are swimming, volleyball, and basketball. She also is quite an accomplished roller skater.

ALCIDE LEO MARTIN

Nothing ever seems to bother him.

Mike gets a lot of joy out of life, and is noted for his friendly smile. He is one of our football heroes. We hear he is planning to run for mayor of South Fitchburg. An excellent piano player, although he has never taken a lesson, his hobbies are hunting, fishing and dancing. The life of the party describes Mike perfectly.

Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Student Council, Home Room Representative

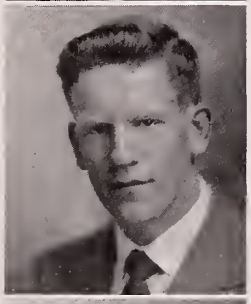


DONALD ARTHUR MAYNARD

Full of fun, and happy as can be.

Frenchy appears quiet but don't be led astray. He is a Louis Prima fan and can sing most of his songs. He can also do wonders with the yo-yo. Usually he can be found at the Y playing ping pong which he takes very seriously; he takes a very active part in all sports and is a standout in basketball and ice skating. His hobby is collecting records.

Basketball 3, 4



JOSEPH LAWRENCE McBRIDE

He is the mildest mannered man.

Red was an outstanding member of our football squad and did a great job in the line this past year. His favorite pastime is making the wrong flavor ice cream sodas for his customers at Enright's. Joe tries to convince everyone that he is a woman hater, but we aren't quite sure of that. Good nature is his chief attribute.

Junior Dues Committee 3, Football, Christmas Party 3, 4, Assembly Committee 4

ROBERT EUGENE McCAULIFF

Shall I go on, or have I said enough?

Bob is that tall slender boy who can always start a rousing debate. He is an active member of the Boys' Glee Club and also keeps himself busy with the senior Boy Scouts. Following commencement Bob would like to attend Norwich Military Academy.

Home Room Representative 1, 2, Debating Club, Dramatic 1, 2, 3, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Relay 3, 4

MARY LOUISE McCUE

Friends, she has many,
Foes, not any.

Mary Lou is one of our cute little majorettes and hails from the South Side. A high honor student, she always has a nice word and a pleasant smile for everyone. With a mischievous glint in her eye she belies the seriousness which is the foundation of a well-balanced character.

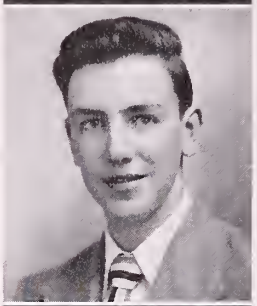
Basketball 1, 2, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Junior Prom Committee, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, *Red & Gray,* Majorette, Class Play 3, 4, Round Table, Gold F, Senior Dues Committee 4

BARBARA JAYNE McDERMOTT

How pretty her blushing was,
And how she blushed again.

Bobbie, with the curly black hair and pretty eyes, has a great deal of vitality. Once started, she talks incessantly. She dislikes anything frilly and feminine, and spends most of her time in dungarees. Horseback riding and skiing are two of the many sports in which she takes a great interest. Her ambition is to teach English and to own a stable.

Dramatic Club 2, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Volleyball 3, 4, Basketball, Gold F, Christmas Party 4

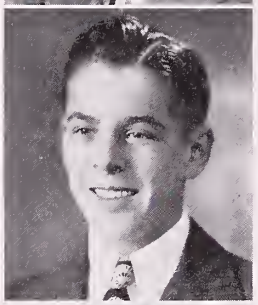


ROBERT EMMETT McGRATH

As idle as a painted ship,
Upon a painted ocean.

Bob has a pleasant personality and a good sense of humor. He works after school but due to the fact that he has many friends whom he has to see at the end of school he is always late. Tell us, how do you manage to keep a job so long? He was a member of our winning relay team.

Relay 3, Camera Club, Radio Club 4



WILLIAM HENRY McGREGOR

A pal to all, and a grand good scout.

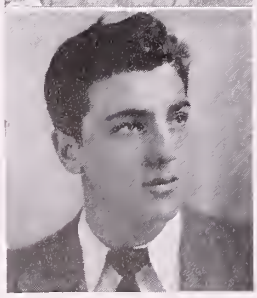
Bill is a quiet friendly vocational student. He is interested in all sports, spectator or participant, his favorites being baseball, football and hockey. In season, he is a member of the West Fitchburg Merchants' Baseball Team. His present hobbies are playing billiards at the Y and collecting sports pictures.

BARBARA MARIE MELLITT

Happiness is a habit, so why not follow it.

Barbara is one of our brilliant students. Well known for her bright, cheery smile and friendly manner. Although a High Honor student, Barbara finds time to work in one of Fitchburg's leading department stores, and still have fun. We hear she also takes music lessons and has a very fine singing voice.

Gold F, Class Book Committee 4, Dramatic Club 2, 3, Glee Club 2, 3, 4



GEORGE EDWARD MEMBRINO

Music is the universal language of mankind.

George is a friendly fellow with wavy hair. Whenever one thinks of George, one naturally thinks of his trumpet. He has done exceptionally well with his F. H. S. Kaptivators. His habit of cruising down Main Street at sixty miles per hour defies the laws of safety. George plans to continue in the field of music after graduation.

Band, Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4, Debating Club 1, 3, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Book Committee, Assembly Committee, Christmas Party, Home Room Representative 4

ROBERT ALDRICH MEYER

With will to work and love for same,
Expect a masterpiece.

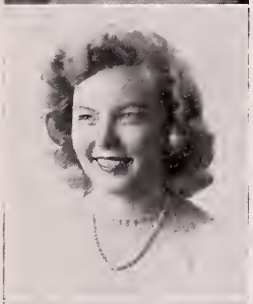
Bob hails from the South Side. Being a quiet and scholarly fellow we don't hear too much from him. His favorite subjects are Spanish and Physics. Being a loyal sports fan he is seen at all the basketball games. He is going to Worcester Tech after he graduates and we know he will do well.

Home Room Representative 3, 4, Class Ring Committee, Gold F 4

IRENE MARY MILLER

Bright and quiet as a sunbeam.

Irene is a part-timer who works for Mr. Stevenson at Crocker Field every other week. She may be small but she has a big smile for everyone. Irene's favorite pastime is roller skating. A business career will probably claim Irene, at least for a while.



IRENE MAE MILTON

There appears a dimple in her cheek.

Rene, greets everyone with a smile and sparkling blue eyes. She likes all sports particularly tennis and ice skating. Full of school spirit, she has always attended the functions at F. H. S. Irene loves dogs and would like to own a Cocker spaniel. Plans to enter nurses' training school after graduation. With a personality like hers, she will win many a patient's heart.

Field Hockey 1, Basketball, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Tennis 2, 4, Christmas Party 4

JEAN MARIE MOLTER

Thy smile becomes thee well.

Blue eyes, light brown hair, smart dresser—that's Jean. Besides favorite pastimes such as skiing, skating, and swimming, Jean has proved herself to be one of the best drum majorettes F. H. S. has said. She knits almost all the pretty sweaters you see her wearing. Keep that cheery smile and sparkling personality and we know you'll always be happy.

Field Hockey 1, Basketball 1, 2, 3, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Tennis 2, Junior Prom Committee 3, Majorette 4

RALPH WILLIAM MONTUORI

Nothing is more useful than silence.

Ralph is the fellow whose dark, wavy hair is the envy of everyone. One of his favorite sports is football. In his senior year he was the manager of the football team. Ralph gets a great deal of pleasure in plowing snow. He plans to go into business with his father after graduation.

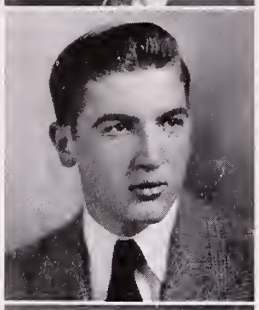
Football 2, 3, 4

GEORGE PAUL MORIN

A hail good fellow.

George hails from the wilds of Shirley. His long legs won him a place on the Junior Relay team and will probably assure him of a place there this year. George's abilities are not only along the line of athletics, as he is one of our best physics students. He is also interested in flying and all class activities.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Relay 3, 4, Round Table, Class Book Committee, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4

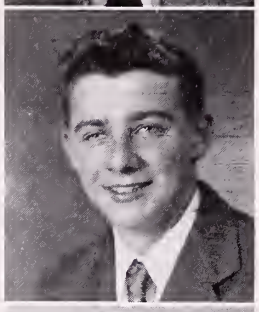


RAYMOND LEON MORIN

One can easily pick a wise man
By the things he doesn't say.

Ray is the boy you'll find working for Mr. Howard in the bank every other week. He's the quiet type but has a good word for everyone. At the moment he is working in the Safety Fund National Bank and expects to continue there after he graduates. We wish you the best of luck, Ray.

Home Room Representative 2

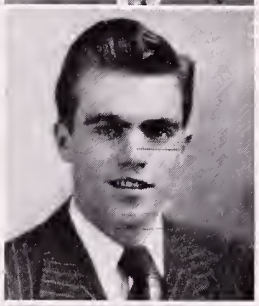


CHARLES BERT MORRIS

When fun and duty clash
Let duty go to smash.

Charlie is one of the auto mechanics. He likes all sports and was on the track and relay teams. He is very likely to be on them again this year. Besides sports Charlie likes to travel.

Track, Relay 3, 4



JOHN FRANCIS MURPHY

If you want anything done, let Murph do it.

Jack Murphy is one of the most popular and most capable students in our class. Whenever a job is to be done, be it large or small, it may be given to Jack with the assurance that it will be done and done well. He is talented in scholastics, dramatics, and athletics. He plans to enter medical school upon graduation. We have no doubts that Jack will be successful.

Football 1, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Baseball 3, 4, Dramatic, Class Play, Student Council, Class Book Committee, Christmas Party, Gold F 4, Graduation Speaker

KATHLYN ANNE MURRAY

Laughing eyes and a merry heart.

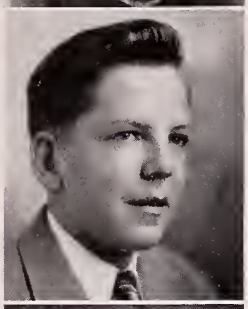
Anne is the senior with the deep, throaty voice. Everyone agrees she'd make a good actress. Her favorite sport is tennis and she is quite an expert. She has many friends among the girls and boys. A lover of good times, Anne will always get by.

RUTH GERTRUDE NEWCOMBE

Faithful and never shirking
Doing the best I can.

From the wilds of West Fitchburg, Ruthie is known for her dark wavy hair and twinkling eyes. She makes us all envious with her beautiful clothes, and we wonder where she gets them. Music is her main interest and she sings and plays the piano exceedingly well.

Orchestra, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 2, Band 3, 4



EDWIN ALFRED NIEMI

Brevity is the finest of virtues.

Eddie is Mr. Quiet of the class. Possessing a sincerity which is only equaled by his all-around good nature. He has more than ordinary ability in chemistry and mathematics. Sports? Eddie loves them. A keen observer and student of pro-basketball, he has put his observations to work while playing for the Turners. His second love is baseball and from there on—the great outdoors.

RIGAS NICK NIKITAS

Happy am I, from care I am free,
Why can't they all be contented like me?

Rigas is a tall good-natured blonde. By those who know him he is well liked. He plays a good game of baseball, but is modest about his ability. Rigas works at the Circle Diner after school. His plans for the future are yet uncertain but to see him as a sports promoter or manager would not be surprising.

Football 2

THEODORE MICHAEL NIKITAS

He has the rare attribute of making others happy.

Gus is a carefree member of our class who never seems worried. One of the school's best jokers, filled with merriment, laughter and witty remarks. He is an enthusiastic fan of all school sports. He enjoys skiing and skating. His ambition is to become manager of the Central Hardware Store.

CATHERINE JOHANNA NOLAN

Work is well done when done with a will.

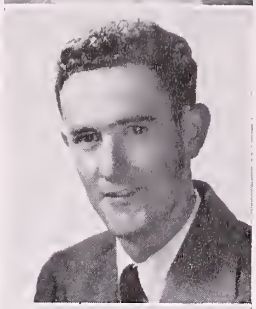
Most of us will always remember Kathy by her charming smile and long, wavy red hair. From what we hear she is historically minded. She has taken almost every field of history available at F. H. S. Dramatics is one of Kathy's favorite activities and we'll always remember her humorous portrayal in our sophomore competitive play. Although rather quiet she possesses a very sincere make up.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4

AUDREY ANNE NORRIS

Carefree and happy am I.

Audrey doesn't believe in worrying or studying too much even when marks come out. We've been told that she loves to study. What would happen to her if the Cuming's closed up? She is noted for her beautiful, blonde, wavy locks.

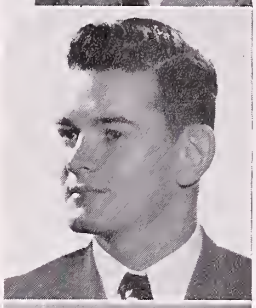


RICHARD PIERCE O'BRIEN

I'll be merry, I'll be free;
I'll be sad for nobody.

Dicky is the kind of person from whom you can get full cooperation. Always ready for any adventure, he's a wonderful sport and a good pal. You'd expect a person like him to take part in many activities, and he does. His interest in music, dramatics, debating, and radio attests his great versatility.

Debating Club 1, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Class Play 2, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Radio Club, Class Book Committee 4

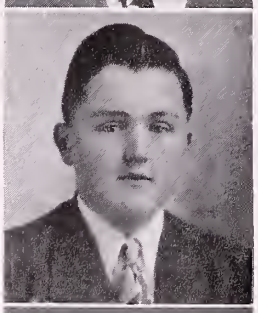


DANIEL GILES O'CONNOR

All great men are dying, and I am feeling ill.

Danny, a happy-go-lucky and smiling football player, can be seen any day of the week wandering around the music room. He is a hard working member of the band, and served as an adept drillmaster, when not playing a smooth trombone. Danny has a good singing voice, and is also a fine ballroom dancer. His plans for the future are still incomplete.

Dramatic Club, Band, Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4, Home Room Representative 1, 4, Football, Glee Club 2, 3, 4, Relay, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Christmas Party 3, 4



HAROLD MARTIN O'DELL, JR.

Stately and tall.

Jigger likes all sports. Though not an active participant in school sports he has been a keen supporter of all our teams. He has several hobbies, chief of which is fishing. He likes to travel. He has been in the woodworking course and wants to be a contractor.

CONSTANCE HELEN OSBORN

Obliging, cheerful, industrious, and kind.

Another of our part-timers, Constance works both in school and outside. She works at Spots Cleaners on Water Street and appears to enjoy it. She manages to get on the honor roll and to make many friends. Incidentally she used to go to Leominster High.

ARLENE CARRIE PACKARD

A traveler from afar.

Arlene is from Ashburnham. Her favorite pastimes are dancing and skiing. If you have any rare dishes around they would be just the thing for Arlene's collection. She works in the drug store in her home town where we may see her as we journey up that way.

AUDREY LOUISE PAGE

A lovely girl to meet and know.

Audrey is from Westminster and has looks and personality. Her amiability has won her many true friends. Although a college course student, she has not, as yet, made any future plans. In whatever field she chooses we are sure she will be successful and continue to make lasting friendships.

Glee Club 1, 2, Home Room Representative 2, Volleyball 3

ALFRED ANTHONY PALOZZI

A man of science is a man of sense.

Alfred is very interested in chemistry. He has a chemistry set at home and is always experimenting with it. He spends most of his Friday nights playing basketball at Nolan School. Alfred is one of our bashful seniors who is never seen talking with girls.

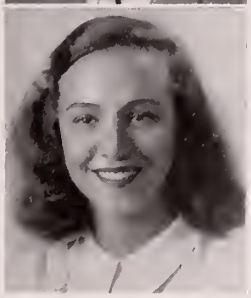
Camera Club 3, 4

JAMES ALEXANDER PANDISCIO

Laugh and the world laughs with you.

Jimmy is the type of boy who keeps school from becoming a bore. His witty remarks and deep, clear voice have brightened our classrooms. He is a great one for arguing and always wins. He is an ardent lover of football and baseball. Jimmy works in a hardware store during his spare time.

Home Room Representative 2, 3



ATHENA PAPPAS

A sweet and obliging lass.

Athena is quite a shark in bookkeeping and even gets her totals to balance. She has a happy, though serious, disposition and is popular among her classmates. A sincere and conscientious person, she has been a bright spot among our classmates. Athena earns her pin money at Kimball's every afternoon.

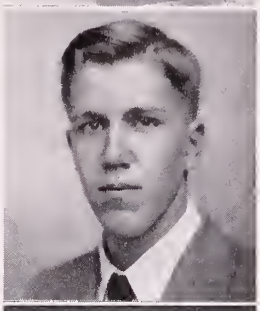
Dramatic Club, Basketball 1, Class Book Committee 4

DOROTHEA IRENE PASSIOS

Friendly and jolly is she always.

Dottie is known to everyone as the exuberant cheer leader of our class. She lives on ice cream sodas, but her favorite pastime is dancing. Her peeve is a certain nick-name which all of her many friends call her. After graduation Dot would like to enter the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing.

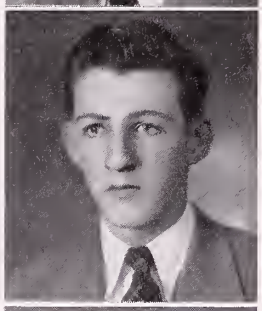
Field Hockey 1, Basketball, Glee Club, Dramatic Club, Cheer Leader 1, 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Class Color and Flower Committee 3, Gold F, Class Book Committee, Class Play 4



EDWIN ALLAN PELTO

Every man has his fault, and modesty is mine.

Ed is just about the quietest member of the class. This boy, whose hair is ash blonde, comes to school daily on the Stickney Road bus. He spends most of his time after school hours working on his father's small farm. If silence is golden Eddie will be in the larger income brackets very soon after graduation.

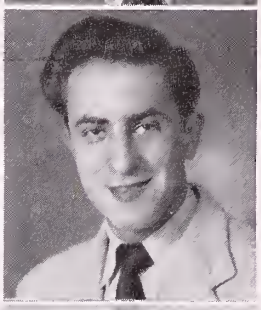


DAVID JOSEPH PERAULT

A sailor's life for me.

Dave is one of our newer members, having come from St. Bernard last fall. He has climaxed his high school career by being named principal appointment to Annapolis. Dave is particularly adept in the science courses but he is an all-around good student. Skiing is one of his favorite hobbies. We are certain that Dave will be very successful in his Naval career.

Round Table 4



DOMINIC ANTHONY PERENZIN, JR.

Music is my love.

Dom, called Tex by his friends, is a quiet fellow. He is very interested in music and is quite a musician himself, plays clarinet, tenor sax, and also studies harmony. He is an ardent Stan Kenton fan, in fact he says he would rather listen to Kenton records than eat. After graduation he plans to attend the New England Conservatory of Music after which he hopes to become an arranger.

CLAIRE HELENE PETERS

She passed her hours among books.

Inseparable is the word for Claire and Catherine. When you see one, the other is not far away. Though Claire may not always look happy, she is full of fun. She is one of the inhabitants of that illustrious place called Notown, and manages to attend school despite all snowstorms.

FANNIE PETRIDES

Life's a pleasant institution,
So let's take it as it comes.

That sparkling smile, and beautiful dark hair could only belong to Fannie. Full of pep and vigor is a good way to describe her. An excellent basketball player and a member of the Wruffs team. Going to the movies is a favorite pastime. Fannie never misses a football or basketball game. She's a loyal rooter at all school functions.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club 1, 4, Thanksgiving Dance 4

THELMA CATHERINE PIENIMAA

Her company is an everlasting pleasure to us.

Thelma is another of our Westminsterites and very proud of it. She is noted for her nice clothes and is the envy of all those who know her. She sometimes suprises people with her dry humor. Noted for her perpetual tan, expressive eyes, and soft wavy hair, Thelma is our offering to Mr. Powers.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Home Room Representative, Gold F, Round Table 4

HELEN BARBARA PIHLGREN

Silence is more eloquent than words.

Helen is one of those girls whom we imagine lived long before our time. Shy, modest, but with a wealth of sunshine radiating from her personality. She can be seen with Arlene quite a lot. Music interests her and she enjoys playing the piano. She plans to be a secretary in a business concern after leaving school.

SAMUEL PISCIOTTA

He could dance the whole night through.

Sammy is one of the long-legged members of our class. He is very fond of the out-of-doors, his favorite sport being fishing. Sam could be seen any Saturday night at the Arena, especially when Eddie Hamilton's Orchestra is there.

ELEANOR POLADIAN

Consistency of purpose is the secret of success.

Ellie has made considerable impression with her artistic talent. She is kept busy with various activities and her job at the Office Supply Co. Her favorite subject is shorthand.

Dramatic Club 1, 4, Gold F, Class Book Committee 4

GLORIA MARGUERITE PRIMEAU

Work is well done, when done with a will.

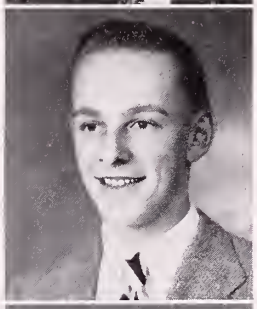
Glo is one of our general course pupils, and can usually be seen dashing along the corridor between periods. Outside of school, she is accompanied by her two colleagues. Though she is one of our more unobtrusive students, Glo has many true friends.

Glee Club 4

WILLIAM ARMAND PROFIT

Gladness of heart is the eye of man.

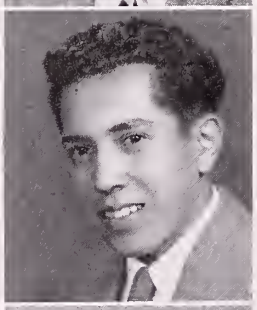
Bill likes most sports but has not had a chance to participate in them because of work. He is studying electricity and intends to enter that field. A conscientious individual, he may find time in the future to enjoy some of the things which he has overlooked so far.



GEORGE REGINALD PUDDICOMBE

Silence reigns supreme.

George is another Waites Cornerite who has to get up early and make the bus to school. He is a quiet fellow and enjoys the out-of-doors. His hobbies include skiing, hockey, fishing, and hunting. He is an ardent fan of the local hockey club. With his gentle manners he is certain to go far in life.



RAUL QUESADA

A curly haired lad, plus a smile.

You can usually spot Raul by his dark curly hair and sparkling white teeth. He always has a nice smile for everybody and has many friends. He likes all sports but is particularly interested in baseball and bowling. His particular hobby, however, is basketball and he plays on several teams outside of school. At the present time he is working in the Burbank Hospital after school.

Glee Club 1, Bowling Club 3

VIRGINIA MARY QUINTY

I like fun so why not have some?

Virginia comes from Shirley. A popular girl among both sexes, her main interest is athletics. She enjoys playing basketball, hockey, volleyball, and tennis. Quiet in appearance those eyes with their sparkle give a hint of the mischief which lies beneath.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Basketball 1, 3, Field Hockey, Tennis, Volleyball 2

FRANK JOSEPH READY

To argue is sublime.

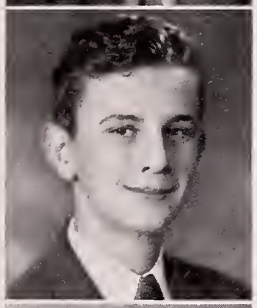
Frank is one of our college bound students. Well known for his activity in the Debating and Dramatic Clubs, he has taken many important parts in assemblies and class plays. He has never been seen without a merry grin, and certainly his laugh is well known to all. His untiring work in the library drive had much to do with its success. A loyal friend, we wish Frank the best of luck always.

Open Meeting 2, Debating Club, Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Camera Club, Radio Club, Youth Library Committee, Class Color and Flower Committee 3

EDWARD PAUL REGAN

Life is a jest, and all things show it
I thought so once, and now I know it.

Eddie is a wonderful blonde with sparkling personality who is always darting from one place to another. He was one of Mr. Howard's part-timers in the bank and he was a member of the *Red & Gray* board. Eddie still finds time to drive Drury's truck. Someday, we may see him as manager of the store.



ROBERT ALBERT RENAUD

From the crown of his head
To the tip of his toes, he is all mirth.

Robert loves racing, especially with live pigeons and midget cars. He plans to travel after leaving school and then return to auto-mechanic work. His knowledge of motors may keep him traveling longer than most of us who simply keep the gas tank filled.

DOLORES CARMELLA RICCI

It is your pleasant word and the smile you wear,
That makes the sun shine everywhere.

Dolores is a brunette with large sparkling eyes. She is the envy of many for her well-groomed hair is always lustrous. Of a sporting make up, Dolores never misses a game and can discuss fully any play the team has to offer. Her ambition after graduation is to become a typist. Someone will get a very efficient worker.

GLORIA MARY RICHARD

A miss is as good as her smile.

Gloria, from the commercial group is a quiet, neatly dressed miss with blonde hair. Sparkling eyes, a winning smile, and a cheering word for all, she has made herself an excellent classmate. It is believed that after graduation Gloria plans to take up domestic life.

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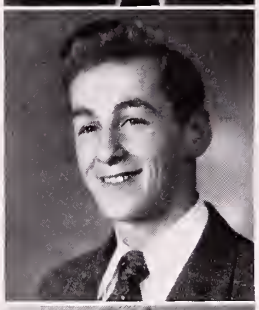
GORDON KENNETH RINGQUIST

His good humor is a fountain, never dry.

Affectionately known as Rinky, a friendly blonde with a contagious smile, Gordon has been very active in school life, playing football in his freshman year and being a very capable cheerleader in his junior and senior years. His good nature, only one of his many amenities which have won him a score of friends during his high school career, will undoubtedly be an immense factor in the success we are sure he will attain in the future.

Track 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Cheer Leader, Relay 3, 4, Class Play, Assembly Committee, Christmas Party, Home Room Representative 4



LEO JOSEPH ROBICHAUD

Where he is, melancholy cannot stay.

Leo spends his evenings working at Simonds behind the lunch counter. He likes sports and plays all of them. After graduation he intends to join the Navy. Very friendly and well liked, Leo gives the impression that he is strictly a man's man. Interested in everything masculine, he should not be classified entirely as a woman hater.

ARTHUR GEORGE ROBINS

Cheerfulness smooths the path of life.

A friendly smile and a courteous mien have made Jay many friends among his classmates. A spinner of tall tales he has a great liking for the outdoors. Always ready to help anyone in need and with the ministry as an ambition, we feel that a person with Jay's character is certain to attain success.

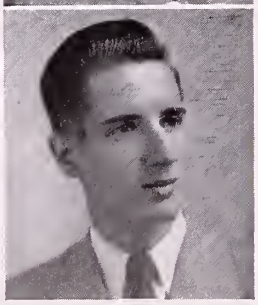
Junior Prom Committee 3

ANNA ELEANOR ROBUCCIO

A tiny sprite but a merry one.

Small, tiny, wee, petite, diminutive. Each describes Anna in some sense when applied to her stature. It nevertheless is one of the modern wonders of the world how a dynamo of so much energy could be centered in such a small package. We oft times wonder if scientists might understand the atom better if they studied Anna. They certainly would find it to contain a large and generous nature.

Volleyball 1



HARRY JOSEPH ROMANO

His happiness was contagious.

Harry is a happy-go-lucky individual. He always wears a smile and has a cheery hello when passing you in the corridor. He is a smooth dancer and one of our better jitterbuggers. We know Harry will use his many qualities to reach the success which certainly awaits him.

VIRGINIA ANN ROSE

I will make thee mighty with my pen.

Ginny always has spirit and enthusiasm, whether it's for a 500 mile hosteling trip or four hours of tennis. She has boundless energy and is ever ready for new experiences. A pretty girl, Ginny also has a wonderful personality and high ideals. Versatile describes her best, for she excels in everything she seriously undertakes. Very talented in writing, especially poetry, we have frequently seen her poems published in the *Red & Gray.*

Dramatic Club 1, 4, Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Tennis, Gold F, Round Table 4

JEANNETTE GERTRUDE ROSEN

A merry heart is like good medicine.

Ambitious, hard-working, ready, willing, and able to get ahead are all good characteristics Jean possesses. For the past year she has worked part-time as an able secretary in our high school office. Years from now we'll all remember Jean by her beautiful big blue eyes and her pleasant smile.

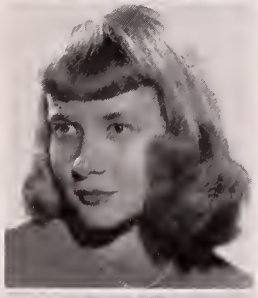
Dramatic Club 1, Gold F 4

MARVIN ROSENBAUM

He'll never die of overwork.

Marvin is one of the most energetic members in the senior class. He can always be depended on to liven up a class. His chief interests are dancing, playing the saxophone, and getting into Dartmouth. Marvin hopes to make law his profession.

Dramatic Club 1, 2, Home Room Representative 3



BARBARA ANN ROY

A lassie fair with golden hair.

Barbara is a true blonde and always ready to take part in any activity. She's a busy girl—always going somewhere impelled by her many interests. An artist of distinction she sometimes gives her water-colors away as presents and, off the record, we have secretly hoped that she would send one our way. She has been accepted at Rhode Island State, where she plans to study retailing.

LORRAINE CHRISTINE RUBERTI

Quiet she was, forsooth not vain,
If friends be credit, she has much gain.

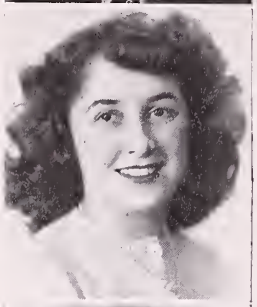
Lorraine is very quiet, taking everything as it comes. She is envied by many for her hair which is naturally curly. Always smiling, everyone enjoys her company. Though she takes part in but few of our school activities, she is quite active in outside circles. Her leisure time is spent in the box office of one of our local theaters.

Basketball, Volleyball, Thanksgiving Dance Committee 4

ALLAN WALDEMAR SAARI

I agree with no man's opinion
I take that of my own.

Allan seems to be one of the quieter members of the class. However, if you bring up a point on which he does not agree, you are in for a good sound argument. Allan does equally well in all his subjects. He enjoys the indoor life and is not an addict of the outdoors. This easy going fellow should be a great success.

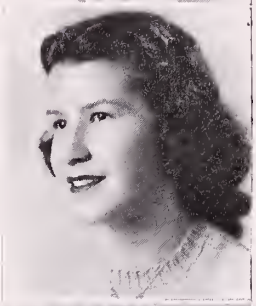


RITA THERESE SABOURIN

Silence has many virtues.

Rita—a tiny little brunette who isn't as shy as she may appear. Just start discussing sports with her. She's an all-around sports lover and faithfully attends all school games. Rita excels in ice skating, so look out for her figure eights.

Basketball 1



CLAIRE MARGARET ST. DENIS

Oh, why should life all labor be?

Claire always has a cheery greeting for you. Not too taken up with studies, she expends her energy in more lively pursuits. A source of entertainment never worries her, for Claire is a faithful Cuming's fan.

ANNA MARY SALERNO

Joy rises in me like a summer's morn.

Anna has a most remarkable sense of humor, which accounts for her many friends. Known to be a lot of fun, Anna's favorite pastime is roller skating. She likes all sports, and was on the girls' basketball team. After commencement she intends to go right to work. An ambitious lass.

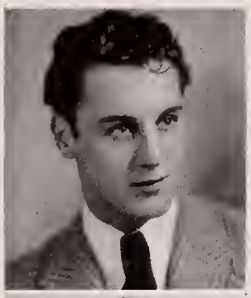
Basketball 2

RUTH ELAINE SANBORN

A little maid but wondrous wise.

Ruthie is that wee blonde who is full of pep and loads of fun. She enjoys all kinds of sports, especially roller skating and skiing. Ruthie is very active at Turner Hall. She has taken piano lessons for several years and is quite an accomplished pianist. She plans to do office work after graduation.

Volleyball 1, 4, Basketball 4



RICHARD EDWARD SANTELLA

A town that boasts inhabitants like me
Finds never a dull moment.

Dick is tall, dark, and handsome with a nice smile for everyone. He's a sharp dresser. Always sincere, loyal and full of fun. He's a wonderful person to have in a gang. Dick is an excellent mechanic and has worked with his uncle at that trade. His two hobbies are weight-lifting down at the Y. M. C. A. and deep-sea diving. He even made a diving helmet which he tried out at Whalom and it worked! After graduation he is moving to Vermont and will work as a lumber jack there. Later he hopes to own and operate a garage and build his own home. He has a great future ahead of him!

Band 3

THERESA ANNE SCANLON

Happy she is from morn till night.

Terrie may be lacking in stature but her glowing personality makes up for it. She has an impish grin combined with sparkling blue eyes which have won numerous friends for her. Along with her acquired skill in dancing, she enjoys all girl's sports.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Glee Club 3, 4

ANTOINETTE SCOLA

Tall and serene,
As fine a girl as ever seen.

Tony is a tall girl with a beautiful singing voice. You'll remember her as one of those snappy majorettes with the band. She loves nice clothes and has an attractive wardrobe. A Commercial course student, she plans to become a secretary after graduation.

Basketball, Volleyball, Dramatic Club, Student Council 1, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Class Book Committee, Majorette, Gold F 4

JOSEPH ANTHONY SECINO

Quietness is best.

Joe has a hobby of building model ships. He also likes swimming and ice skating. He is thinking of going to Worcester Trade School to continue his studies in the electrical field.

LILLIAN YVONNE SEYMOUR

If there is anything you wish to know, ask me.

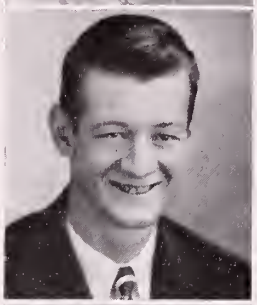
Lillian, better known as Lil, came to Fitchburg High in her senior year from Lunenburg. She has taken up residence on Pearl Hill and really likes Fitchburg. A tiny girl with a dashing walk, Lil gets her daily exercise running for buses. Her favorite pastime is dancing. Lil would like to be an airline hostess.

JEAN SIDNEY SHAPLAND

Always leave them laughing when you say good-bye.

Shap is another West Fitchburger. She has a wonderful talent for foreign dialects and keeps everyone in stitches with her "Whatsa matter for you, hey?" She loves basketball, and is very skilled in the sport. Shap gets the chills when she listens to good music, which is quite often. At present her ambition is to become a nurse.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Orchestra 1, 2, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 4, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Youth Library Committee 3, Glee Club 3, 4, Debating Club, Class Play 4

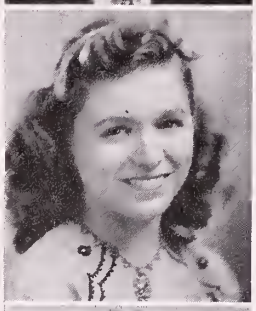


ARTHUR PAUL SHEA, JR.

A mixture of red hair, pep, and many moods.

Bucker is one of the outstanding athletes in our class. He is a great competitor as his record clearly shows and has been prominent in all the sports in which he has participated. Buck is especially noted for his ability to entertain his fellow team-mates on bus trips to and from athletic events.

Baseball, Football, Basketball 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Christmas Party 3, Home Room Representative 4

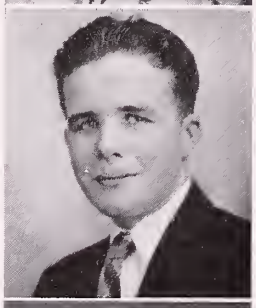


ANN BOYD SHIPTON

Sweet and silent is her nature.

Ann is the quiet girl with the light brown hair and the cheery smile. Her clothes are always so neat and attractive. Her hobby is tennis which she plays very well. She likes French and does very well in it. Ann hopes to continue her education in College after graduation.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Field Hockey 3, Tennis, Youth Library 4



DONALD ALBERT SMITH

Fantastic, frolicsome, and wild,
With all the trinkets of a child.

Don is a jovial, happy-go-lucky fellow from the South Side. His interests include girls and skiing in that order. Don sympathizes with anyone in trouble and is always willing to lend a hand. He plans to follow his father's footsteps in the printing profession after graduation.

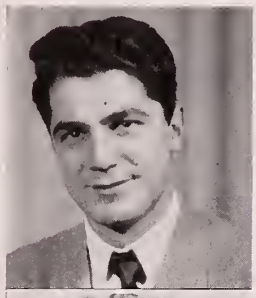
Dramatic Club 3, 4, Camera Club 4

HAROLD WOOLLACOTT SMITH

Pleasure and action make the hours seem shorter.

Harold is a great midget auto racing fan. He was a member of the relay team and discovered that he had ability as a runner. Harold is an outdoor man, getting a great deal of pleasure from hunting. He also is a very good skier, and is quite proficient at billiards. His future is somewhat indefinite but he might go into the shoe business.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Relay 3, 4



PETER ARIST SPYLIOS

He went where duty seemed to call.

Pete is an ex G. I. who has joined our class after serving with Uncle Sam's Army. While in the service, he served with the Occupational Forces in Japan. Quiet but likable, Pete always has a ready smile and friendly greeting for everyone. He likes all sports but excels in basketball. After graduation Pete plans to enter business school.

Army, July 1944—August 1946.

JUNE BEVERLY STACY

A maiden, cheerful, and small.

A tiny strawberry blonde who is an ardent movie fan and possesses an insatiable appetite for tangerines. There is nothing she likes better than parties. Have we another Elsa Maxwell in our midst? June has a very cheery smile and sparkling eyes. We know that this little miss is going places in the future.

Dramatic Club 1

BARBARA LOUISE STATUTO

I am as quiet as a little lamb.

Barb is one of the quieter members of our class. However, she is quite well known and has her special circle of friends. We hear that she spends her Sunday afternoons driving her father's car. Better watch that speedometer, Barb. She has her mind set on going to college but as yet is undecided as to which one.

Volleyball 1, Basketball, Dramatic Club 1, 2, Assembly Committee 4

RUTH EDITH SUNDSTROM

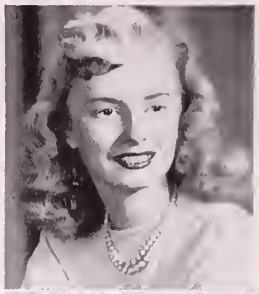
Silence may be good and can do little harm.

Quiet and shy describe Ruth. She likes her job working at the Westminster Telephone Office after school very much. When she isn't working she enjoys reading, especially fiction. Bookkeeping is her favorite subject in school. This, no doubt, influenced Ruthie's decision to be a bookkeeper when she graduates.

DAVID WAINO SUOKKO

He that has patience may compass anything.

David is that good looking man from Ashby who put-puts to school each day. Sometimes we wonder what would become of that car if Dave wasn't always around to care for it. We're almost afraid that some day Dave might have to carry it home instead of being carried home in it. He enjoys good books and music but hunting and fishing are his favorite pastimes.



ARLENE LAURA SWEENEY

Small of stature, modest of nature.

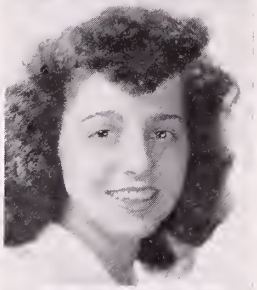
Arlene rates a prize for being the smallest senior girl. Her favorite subject is shorthand. Collecting autographed pictures of movie stars is her hobby. She also enjoys going to Boston to see a show, and ice skating. Arlene has no definite plans for the future.

PHYLLIS PAULINE SZYMANSKI

Whate'er she did, was done with so much ease.

Phyllis came to us in our senior year from Gardner High but we still consider her as one of our old classmates. She speedily won everyone's admiration with her scholastic ability by attaining the special honor roll. Her interest in sports, as well, make her an all-around good fellow.

Gold F, Basketball, Volleyball 4

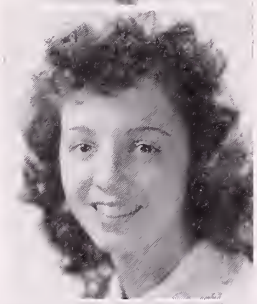


NANCY ELIZABETH TAGLIAFERRI

Which is which.

Nancy is the quieter of the Tagg twins, but she has many gay moments. Horsebacking is becoming one of her favorite sports. She is a little bit taller than Norma, and just as pretty. Nancy and Norma are considered authorities on rabbits which may be in line with future plans since she plans to enter the nursing profession after graduation and it may be the clinical research field.

Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee, Home Room Representative 3, Gold F 4



NORMA FRANCES TAGLIAFERRI

Which is which.

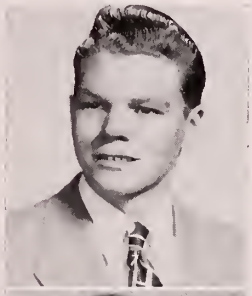
Norma has an excellent sense of humor, in fact, she's almost always laughing about something. Don't try to put anything over on Norma. She knows her own mind. She works hard in school and gets the marks. Both she and Nancy are excellent bowlers, since their Dad runs a couple of alleys. Norma plans to become a nurse after graduating in June.

Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Assembly Committee, Gold F 4

ROBERT SALTONSTALL TAPPLY

As gay as the larks in May.

Bob is one of the friendliest persons in the class. Regardless of the fact that he lives way out on Pearl Hill, he manages to be present at all school functions. He is an ardent sports enthusiast and is seen at all the basketball and football games. One of his favorite pastimes is reading books. This is one of the major reasons for his good vocabulary. After graduation he plans to go to college.

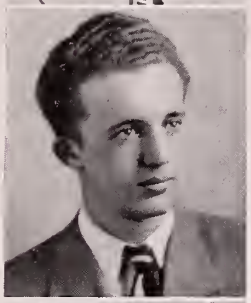


KENNETH PAULIN TARBELL

I can move fast but why the exertion?

Baron, Tonty, Kenny, or any other nickname you know him by is another talented member of the senior class. Because of his shyness only a few of us, fortunate members of the senior class, have heard Kenny sing "Red River Valley". Kenny is a member of the varsity basketball team. His services have done much to give Fitchburg High its fine record on the court. We all wish Kenny the best of everything in the future.

Basketball, Relay 3, 4

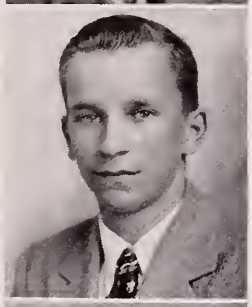


THEODORE TASIS

Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well.

Teddy is one of our best students and still finds time for many extracurricular activities. Dramatics, writing up sports for the *Red & Gray,* and class affairs are only some of the things which interest him. Although always serious, he's a lot of fun and has a keen sense of humor. Teddy is the type of person who will always stand for justice and a fair deal for everyone. With all these attributes he cannot fail to succeed.

Dramatic Club 3, *Red & Gray,* Home Room Representative 3, 4, Class Ring Committee, Gold F, Class Book Committee 4



ALLAN RICHARD TASTULA

A man of many talents.

Tastie likes music and plays the mandolin-harp. He also likes building model airplanes and tinkering with radios. He would like to be a radio technician. He skis, hunts, fishes, drives a car, and plays hockey. Too bad the day has only twenty-four hours.

Orchestra 1, Home Room Representative 2, Class Book Committee 4

ALFRED BRUCE TEBBETS

Just a little fellow, no bigger than a doll.

Buzz is one who has a ready smile and is always prepared for fun. He likes mechanical things and hopes to work with mechanical things after graduation. His favorite sports are skiing and swimming. His hobbies are photography and boating. Particularly gifted in woodworking he has turned out some exceptional work under Mr. Gilbert's direction.

Camera Club

WILFRED EDWARD THIBODEAU, JR.

The sun shines east, the sun shines west.

Basil has a large stack of jokes and is brimful of fun. He was a member of our Glee Club for two years, and is a very good Mammie singer. He likes to listen to Al Jolson records and does a very good impersonation of him. He's also a very good swimmer and a fair golfer. With his personality, life should be a great success.

HANS MICHAEL THOMA

They all look alike to me.

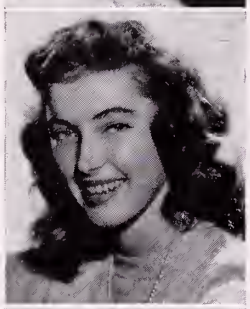
If Hansy isn't playing football or traveling around the country you'll find him deep in the wilderness fishing or hunting. He is quick to make friends and keep them. He is fun-loving and brightens up any party. One of those work horse football players, Hans has not always received the amount of credit due him since his blocking assignments very often went unnoticed while someone else carried the ball.

Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Football, Relay 3, 4

NANCY JANE TOLMAN

I like fun just as much as anyone.

Toni has light hair, blue eyes, and a pleasant smile. The dream walking, as the song puts it. Funloving, she always has an idea for a bit of excitement. A good dancer, Toni just dotes on blues music and can easily be persuaded to sit quietly for the duration of a record of this type.

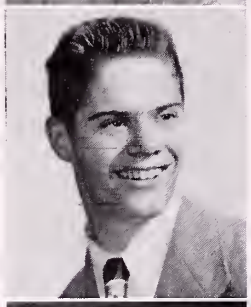


RACHEL LILLIAN TOMER

A smile that glows with friendship.

Ray is lively and cute with a twinkle in her eye. Her jovial personality and contagious little laugh make her especially attractive. Her love for clothes is apparent from her smart wardrobe. Her favorite food is tuna fish. She takes a great deal of interest in sports and dancing. After graduation she plans to become a telephone operator.

Glee Club 1, 3, Basketball 2, 4

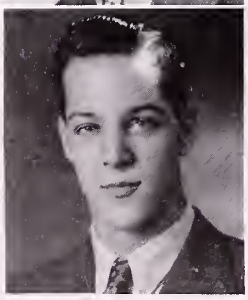


ROBERT ALBERT TURCOTTE

A good disposition that cannot be bought by gold.

Bob or Gene is a tall lad who sports a Harvard clip. He has been a standout in sports from the day he entered F. H. S. Bob plays an outstanding game of both football and basketball. His classmates will always remember him for his determination to win in these sports. This same characteristic will stand him in good stead in future life.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Football 2, 3, 4



HERMAN STANLEY TWING, JR.

The world belongs to the energetic.

Herman likes hunting, fishing, and boxing. He hates dancing probably because he is shy in the presence of the ladies. He intends to be a construction engineer and has taken the woodworking course. A true pal and classmate, we wish him good luck and smooth sailing.

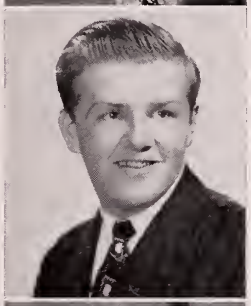
Home Room Representative 2, Class Book Committee 4

ROBERT LAKE UNDERWOOD, JR.

Business before pleasure.

Red-headed, and with a droll sense of humor, informal debates are always of interest to Bob. An ardent F. H. S. rooter, he has attended most of the football and basketball games since he entered high school. He has a definite dislike for women, at least thus far. Although his father is a minister, Bob has planned to enter the legal profession.

Dramatic Club, *Red & Gray* 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Class Color and Flower Committee 3, Class Play, Class Book Committee, Senior Dues Committee, Gold F 4



MANNING EUGENE VAN NOSTRAND III

There is nothing lacking in his size.

Manning is interested in everything. He likes sports, particularly football, hiking, and the great outdoors. Dramatics and debating take up quite a bit of his time. Manning still finds time to participate in many class affairs and help out at the Burbank Hospital. All his interests will assure him of a variety of benefits in a successful career.

Debating Club, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, Class play 2, 3, Football 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Christmas Party 4

JEANNETTE MARIE VEAUTOUR

Pleasure before studies.

Jinx tries very hard to get to school on time and sometimes she even makes it. She is very talkative and loads of fun. Selected as Laurel Queen last year during the annual festival, she has been a popular member of our class throughout the years. Her favorite pastime is dancing.

ARTHUR FREDERICK VIAU, JR.

A youth of deeds not words.

Little Art is a wonderful math student. He is an ardent lover of all sports, but due to his size he has had difficulty participating in them. Little Art may be seen at all school dances and plays. If there is any hunting or fishing to be done, Little Art will always be there.

BURTON ALAN VIGODA

I have three ambitions—study! study! study!

Burton is one of those brilliant students who does well in everything. His favorite studies are math and science, and he can always be found arguing about a Physics problem with his pal Ted Tasis during X period. Burton plans to enter Massachusetts State College in September.

Orchestra 1, Band 1, 2, Gold F 4

NANCY BELLE VINCELLETTE

The mildest manners, combined with gentle heart.

Nancy is a quiet unassuming girl. She gets along well because she always thinks things through carefully before commiting herself. She plays the piano, dabbles occasionally in paints, and has a big dog named Pete. We'd call Nancy the girl with a soft voice and a good sense of humor. A valued friend.

Basketball 2, 3, 4, Dramatic Club 2, 4, Volleyball 3, 4, Tennis, Gold F 4

ANTHONY MITCHELL VITELLI

He was always in perfect humor.

Tony has a wonderful personality. He is ready to help someone in need. Tony is an all around sport. His work at the Moran Square Diner makes it difficult to attend all school functions but he has taken part in many. Diner work seems to be his life's work. With his looks and voice he should go far.

Camera Club 3, 4

KATHERINE LILLIAN VOEDISCH

One accomplishes more by silence than by speech.

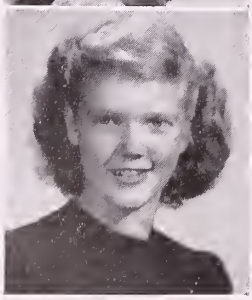
Eeny, meeny, miney, moe,—yes, no, maybe so.—Dear me, it's so hard to decide! That's Kay trying to decide what she's going to do with her future life. To be or not to be—a veterinarian or a hairdresser. In school Kay has been the sort of person who knew what she really wanted and went after it. With her cheery smile and sparkling personality Kay will succeed in anything she undertakes.

BARBARA ANN WALSH

She's here, she's there, she's all about,
Lots of pep, and a real good scout.

Barb is of medium height and very slim. She loves all sports. If you've never seen her play football, you've missed something. She plays basketball almost like a professional and is a very earnest skier. Barb is taking a home course in finger printing. Some day she hopes to be an expert in this field.

Field Hockey 2, Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee, Class Color and Flower Committee, Christmas Party 3



MARILYN CECILIA WARIS

Red as a rose is she.

Beauty is as beauty does and this one certainly can do. Marilyn has a heart-teasing smile and magnetic personality. School and its activities bring out all her natural enthusiasms and fun-loving spirit, yet she is deeply appreciative of cultural things. She has been chosen a junior member of the Woman's Club. College will be included in her future plans.

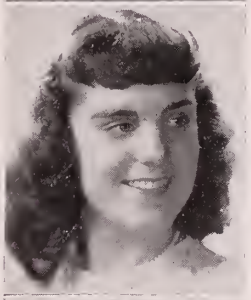
Orchestra 1, Basketball 1, 2, Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Radio Club, Youth Library Committee, Home Room Representative, Class Ring Committee 3, *Red & Gray* 3, 4, Class Book Committee, Gold F 4

JOAN FRANCES WATERS

Her voice is ever soft and sweet.

Muddy comes from West Fitchburg. She is very quiet and her large brown eyes are a very striking feature. Her lifelong interest has been airplanes and she is an ardent C. A. P. member. She dislikes eating, but peanut butter is one of her few favorites. She loves sports, especially football. Plans for the future are not certain but she desires to become an airline hostess.

Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Junior Prom Committee 3



NANCY JANE WATSON

Always ready, always there,
Always willing to do her share.

Nancy is the president of our Student Council. She takes her duties seriously and yet likes a good time as much as any of us. Adept in all kinds of sports, she enjoys swimming and skiing. Her cheery smile is always to be seen wherever she goes. A conscientious worker; success must certainly come to her.

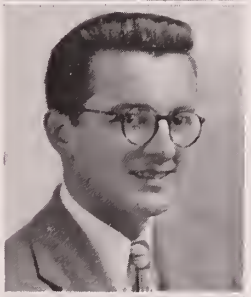
Field Hockey 2, Basketball, Volleyball, Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Junior-Senior Reception Committee, Junior Prom Committee 3, Student Council 3, 4, Tennis, Class Play, Gold F, Class Book Committee 4

MAE EUGENIA WEBSTER

So precise in her every move.

Jeanie is one of our part-timers; she spends her working days assisting Miss Mattson. She has been a standby in the State Teachers College dining hall for several years waiting on table. Brown-eyed and even-tempered she seems to make quite a hit with Don. Jeanie's future seems to point toward a secretarial career.

Dramatic Club 2, Basketball, Volleyball 2, 3, 4, Class Ring Committee, Senior Dues Committee, Class Book Committee 4



RICHARD EMMONS WELLS

Give a man a golf ball
And he'll putter around all day.

Rit is interested in weight lifting, surf-boarding, and swimming. He is the quiet type and one of the school's auto-mechanics. A member of the vocational group who has not been too well known by most of us, he has proved his sincerity to those with whom he has come in contact.

LAWRENCE DABOLD WELTERLEN

Bashfulness is an ornament to youth.

Lo-Lo, as he is called by his friends, is the fellow you see waiting on the fourth floor. He spends much time hunting and fishing, but it all seems in vain. Lo-Lo's favorite sport is basketball and he is a member of the varsity team. He is good-natured and enjoys a good time but has his serious moments.

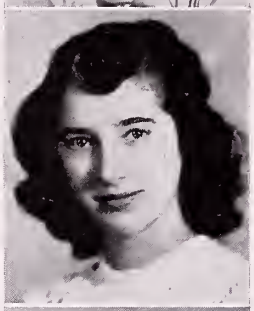
Relay, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Basketball 4

HELEN PAULINE WESTERBACK

Jolly, peppy, athletic too.

When you see a girl strolling through the corridors with her head in the clouds you'll know in a minute it's Helen for she loves flying and possesses a student pilot's license. Her pretty blonde hair and blue eyes make her especially attractive. Although she stars in basketball, she excels in all sports. She's West Fitchburg born and bred.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Debating, Tennis 4

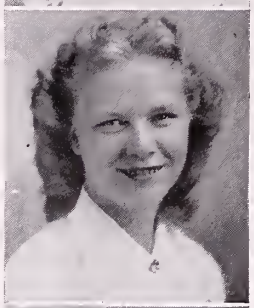


ANITA SODERBERG WHEELER

A pleasant companion is like a good book.

Anita is an enterprising young lady. She baby-sits. This winter she took up skiing in earnest. Nuz is interested in sports and Gregory Peck. She is moderately quiet, and very easy to get along with, and was born in Stockholm, Sweden.

Volleyball, Basketball, Dramatic Club, Glee Club 2, 3, 4, Band 3, 4, Tennis, Radio Club, Thanksgiving Dance 4



ARLENE LILLIAN WIITA

Good things come in small packages.

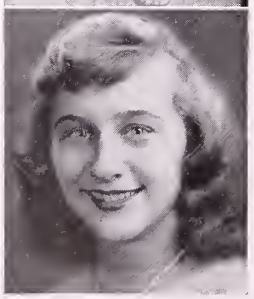
Arlene, with her pretty blonde hair and her grand disposition has a large, well-chosen collection of popular records. Good movies or musicals fill her time not already taken up by roller skating and baby sitting. She is a prize Spanish student and likes the language very much. If anyone suggests a project, Arlene always cooperates to the fullest extent. She has not yet decided what she wants to do after graduation, but whatever she does, she'll do well.

MARY ANN WIITA

Witty, jolly, happy as can be.

Mary Ann is a blonde, vivacious young miss who hails from South Ashburnham. Her favorite sport is swimming. Dancing, going to the movies, walking, and reading are other ways in which she spends her leisure hours. Peanut confesses she loves Scotch ham and ice cream. After graduation she is going to California. She wants to go to college, but has no definite plans as yet.

Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Glee Club, Gold F, Round Table, Basketball 4



NANCY ELEANOR WILDER

Gaiety is health to the soul.

Bunny is a vivacious blonde with loads of vitality. Her pep and vigor are her greatest characteristics. She has sung in the Christ Church Choir for many years as an alto. She works in the College Spa across from the Fitchburg State Teachers College. She has no definite plans for the future but likes the idea of being a housewife.

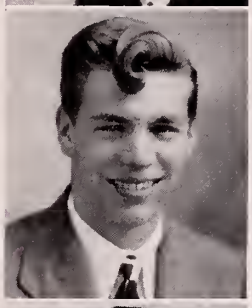
Volleyball, Glee Club 3, Basketball 3, 4

WALTER ALLEN WILJANEN

His laughter and humor are contagious.

Wally is the fellow you always see having a good time. No matter what he is doing he seems to be having fun. He is one of those persons who make life enjoyable. No one is ever gloomy when Wally is near. He attends all school functions and no one knows his sports better. With Wally's disposition life will certainly be cheery.

Basketball 2, Dramatic Club 2, 3, Tennis 3, Camera Club 4



RALPH ELMER WILLARD

I only know I'm mighty glad I'm living.

Ralph is happy-go-lucky, full of fun, and a great talker. He likes to know the why of everything. Unusual, unique situations intrigue him. His avid interest in the Scouts often leads to long hikes and overnight camping trips. The rugged life is for him. Yet his serious side has worthwhile ambitions for the future.

Class Play 2, Debating Club, Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, Relay 3, Class Book Committee 4

THEODORE GEORGE WILLIAMS

What should a man do, but be merry?

Ted joined us in our junior year and came from Cushing Academy. He is a quiet boy who likes skiing. An honor student who is very bashful where girls are concerned. He spends a lot of his time hunting, fishing, and trapping.

Camera Club 4

FREDERICK GEORGE WILSON, JR.

Good cheer is no hindrance to a good life.

Fred likes all sports and he also likes to dance. He is taking the machinist course and hopes to continue in this trade after leaving school. He was on the football and baseball teams and proved his ability in both.

Baseball 3, Home Room Representative 3, 4, Football 4

EUGENE LEIMO WIRKKALA

The smile that won't come off.

Chuck is blonde, blue-eyed and came from Michigan. His pleasant personality has made him quite popular with his classmates. He enjoys all kinds of sport, but among his favorites are skiing, skating, and swimming. In the spring and summer he has proved to be a good track man, participating both in school and outside meets. We understand that Chuck has intentions of going back to Michigan to further his education.

Football 2, Baseball 2, 4, Relay, Junior-Senior Reception Committee 3, Track 4

JANE MARGARET WOLFE

She spends her time in studies deep.

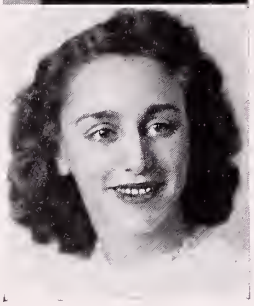
Janey, as she is called by her closest friends, is one of our more studious classmates. A prominent member of the *Red & Gray* Board and other school organizations, she also spends much time studying and gets an A report card. She is one of our greatest competitors for the Gold F. Her reliability and efficiency have endeared her to her classmates and teachers.

Red & Gray 2, 3, 4, Class Color and Flower Committee 3, Gold F, Round Table, Class Book Committee 4

JEAN WRISLEY

Always quiet, yet always making friends with those she meets.

Lovely brown eyes and a friendly smile—that's Jean. Although she seems quiet her friends find her overflowing with enthusiasm and fun. Swimming heads her sports list followed closely by skating and skiing. Her hobbies are drawing and working with little tots. Jean plans to go to Teachers College.



VASELECKE BESSIE XARRAS

A real friend of all the world.

Vassie has light brown hair and large gray eyes. Good swing music will always start her jumping. She is very friendly and there is never a dull moment when she's around. Vassie spends all her extra time helping her father at the Buttercup.

Basketball, Volleyball 1, 2

Class History

In the fall of '44 the distinguished class of '48 entered Fitchburg High School. Even in that first year the scholastic ability of the class was presaged in every marking period and the athletic prowess, which was to prove so much to our credit, was forecast by two members, Mike Martin and Gordon Ringquist, making their letters in football. During our first year the atom bomb was tested in New Mexico and the European War drew to a close. The following summer the War in the Pacific ended.

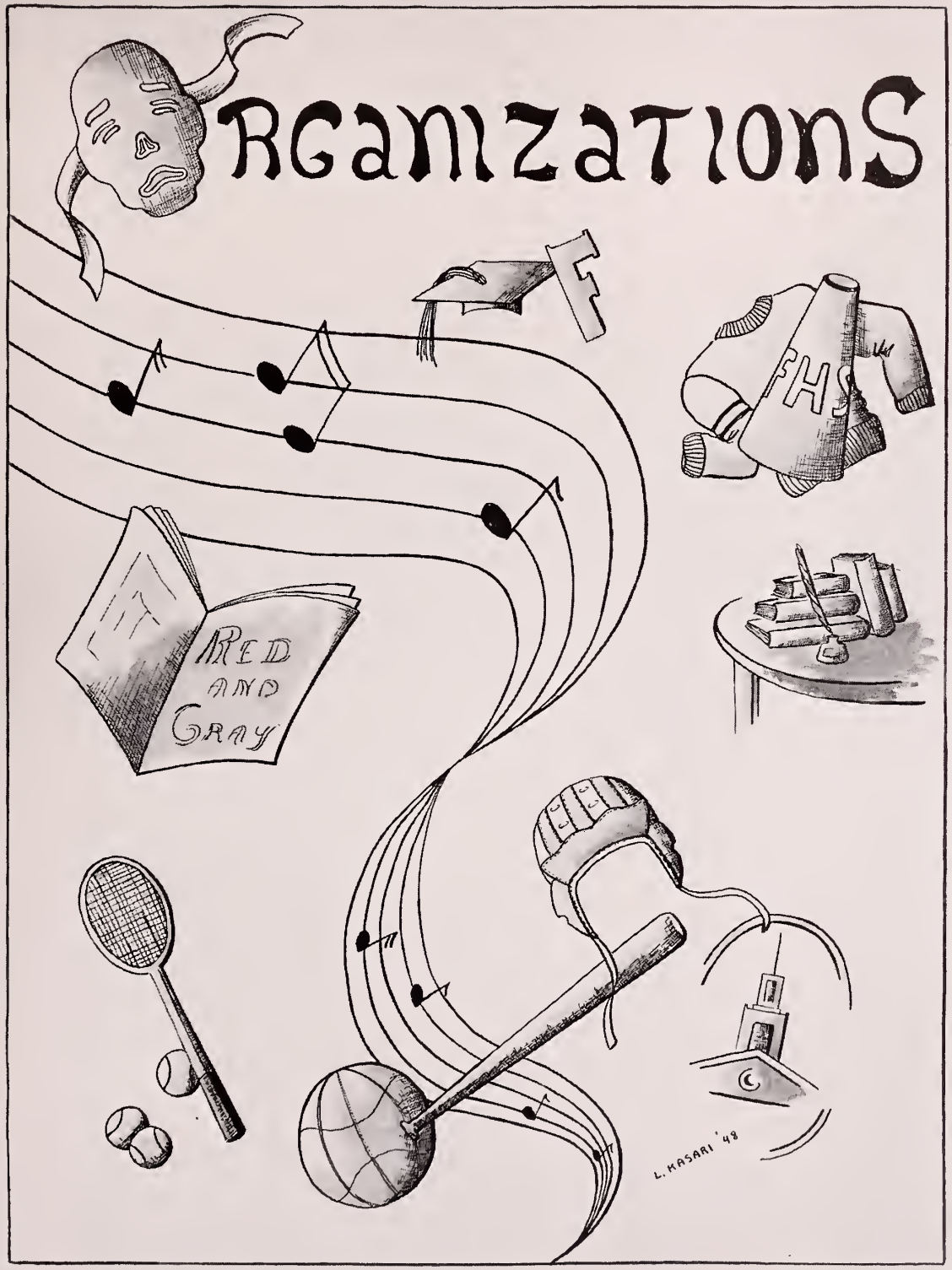
During our second year, the crowd from Teachers' College joined us and immediately made their appearance felt. As our class became more and more active in athletics, the number of games won by the school increased. This year we tied Leominster 6-6 in our annual football game. Principal James A. Chalmers gave a flag to the school. Irene Conlon, Jean Hopley, and Barbara Roy won the school banner award for designing the flag. Joe Cushing won the Massachusetts Downhill Junior Skiing Championship. In June of our Sophomore year Jane Wolfe was sent as a delegate to the 21st National Convention of the American Red Cross held in Philadelphia.

During our third year the class of '48 really started to show its mettle. Election of class officers was held and on the first ballot Ray Ablondi was the unanimous choice as class president. This had never happened before in the history of our school. The other officers were Loris Lakso, vice-president; Richard Ahlin, treasurer; and Janet Pearson, secretary. A new principal, Bertrand W. Hayward, came during our third year. We beat Leominster by the score of 7 - 6. The class of '48 won the Open Meeting of the Dramatic Club with the comedy, "The Fighting Littles." More than 90 members of the class appeared in the hilarious skits and take-offs presented during our reception to the seniors. We won the Junior-Senior Relay Race, one of the few classes to win as Juniors. Our president, Ray Ablondi, was chosen by World War I and II veterans of the faculty to represent the school and Fitchburg Post No. 10, American Legion at the Boys' State program held at Amherst. There Ray was selected to be one of two boys representing Massachusetts at National Boys' State, Washington, D. C. Nancy Derderian was sent by Fitchburg Post No. 10, American Legion Auxiliary to the Girls' State Program at Bridgewater. Joe Cushing was chosen as All Northern Worcester County half-back. A real addition to our class was "Corky" Ervin, who gave a tremendous lift to all our athletic teams.

The climax to our high school career, the fourth year, was as full of success as the preceding years. The officers elected were Ray Ablondi, president; Loris Lakso, vice-president; Joseph Cushing, treasurer; and Janet Pearson, secretary. We were the first class to have the privilege of electing a class adviser rather than accepting an appointee. We, the class of 1948, chose Herbert P. Sullivan as our adviser. This year we beat Leominster 13 - 0. The teams of the future will never forget the names of Cushing, Ablondi, Duncan, O'Connor, Berndt, Martin, Balaban, Gates, McBride, Turcotte, Fife, Crohan, Ervin, Thoma, Shea, and Van Nostrand. Boys of their caliber will be hard to replace. All Northern Worcester County Awards for First Team went to "Corky" Ervin, Joe Cushing, "Bucker" Shea and Hans Thoma. A new football plan, a game between the All Stars of Worcester County vs. the City of Worcester All Stars was held at Holy Cross College. Joe Cushing and "Corky" Ervin were our representatives

in that game. Joe Cushing repeated the success of his sophomore year when he again won the Massachusetts Downhill Junior skiing championship. The class of '48 is one of the few classes to win the Open Meeting award twice in succession. We won again as seniors with "The Drums of Oude" starring Nancy Copeland, Ray Ablondi, and "Jiggs" Ahlin. Johnny Bennett and Jimmy Gallagher brought Fitchburg into the limelight in a new branch of sports at our school—cross country running. The boys competed against the pick of the schoolboys in the East. Johnny won the Worcester Knights of Columbus cross country race for Worcester County High Schools. He climaxed this by winning the Massachusetts State Cross Country Title at Belmont. He placed third in the New England Championships at Brunswick, Maine, and third in the Eastern States Cross Country Championship at East Orange, New Jersey. Both boys won further acclaim in the indoor track meet at the Boston Garden. Johnny won the senior mile with a time of 4 minutes 45.3 seconds. That same night Jimmy was invited to compete against the pick of New England milers and he ran third with a time of 4 minutes 39 seconds. Ray Ablondi took third place in the three hundred yard dash. These records are exceptional, considering that there is no indoor track at F. H. S. Lorraine Kasari, editor-in-chief of the *Red & Gray* won fourth place in the National Doehla Art Contest. A painting by Barbara Roy was exhibited at R. H. White's art exhibition. Anita Kruckley was State representative to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. Nancy Watson, president of the student council, was chosen for outstanding scholarship, citizenship, leadership, and dependability to represent the school at the D. A. R. Good Citizenship Pilgrimage at the Hotel Somerset. In scholarship awards our class was second to none, attested by the fact that fifty members of the class received the Gold F coveted award, the largest number ever awarded. Johnny Bennett won three Silver Skates Derby Championships—juvenile, intermediate, and junior titles during his school career. He also was an important cog in the Fitchburg Hockey team. Another stellar member of the Fitchburg Hockey Club was Aubrey Lawrence. Graydon Erickson, a returned veteran, won the longest standing ski jump in the ski events held at Lancaster. Ray Ablondi was the state senator from the 3rd district and Joe Cushing was the representative from the 15th district on Good Government Day, held at Boston. This was the first time Good Government Day was held in Massachusetts. Our class gave a rollicking performance of "Dear Ruth" with Alida Erickson in the title role. We took over the class of '49 in the Junior-Senior Relay Race, establishing ourselves as one of the few two time winners. The Exchange Club of Fitchburg instituted an annual award for the four outstanding scholar-athletes in Fitchburg—two from Fitchburg High School and two from St. Bernard High School. Ray Ablondi and Joe Cushing were fittingly honored as high honor students and outstanding athletes. James Durbin was awarded a certificate of distinguished performance for ranking in the top 10% in the national Pepsi-Cola scholarship examination. By a vote of the class John F. Murphy was selected graduation speaker. To achieve this honor a pupil must have qualified for a Gold F. Finally, it was most fitting that the best class that ever attended Fitchburg High School should graduate under the inspirational guidance of Laurence H. Scanlon, Principal.

This is the record of the Class of 1948. Such a class as ours cannot fail to do well throughout life. We will most certainly bring credit to F. H. S.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310 John P. Gates
403 James E. Godley, Jr.
310 Lois C. MacKenzie
403 Alcide L. Martin
426 John F. Murphy
314 Nancy J. Watson

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115 James Angelos
209 Lillian J. Bosserdet
115 Richard J. Braks
115 Gerald P. Darcangelo
315 Richard W. Miner
406 Loring R. Stevenson, Jr.

SOPHOMORES

308 Owen F. Allen
308 Anna Farquhar
308 Charles Sharos
206 Joan A. Tousignant

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Beverly A. Kaddy . . . . . *Secretary*

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	*Herman S. Twing		*Beverly A. Kaddy
111	John Q. Bennett	403	Daniel G. O'Connor
	*Lester E. Lockhart		*George E. Membrino
116	Betty R. Bever	425	Richard E. Lundberg
	*Philip Ellia		*Charlotte M. Beer
207	David J. Holden	426	Elizabeth Lawrence
	*Thelma C. Pienimaa		*Gordon K. Ringquist
304	Theodore A. Tasis	427	Hans M. Thoma
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	*Robert T. Duncan		

*Alternate

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Faculty Adviser, Miss Taylor

The Drums of Oude

by Austin Strong

December 5, 1947

THE CAST

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Captain McGregor	Richard W. Ahlin
Two Hindustan Servants	Robert L. Underwood, Jr.
	Everett H. Dudley, Jr.
Sergeant McDougal	John F. Murphy
A Private	Robert S. Tapply
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Mrs. Jack Clayton	Nancy Copeland

Faculty Director, Miss Taylor

CAST OF "DEAR RUTH"

Dear Ruth

by Norman Krasna

April 9, 1948

THE CAST

Dora . . . . . Jean S. Shapland

Mrs. Edith Wilkins . Nancy J. Watson

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Judge Harry Wilkins . John F. Murphy

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Halsey L. Allen, III
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Dorothy L. Forss
David J. Holden
Janet A. Holmes
Jean F. Hopley
John B. Junkala
Mary Lou McCue
George P. Morin
Janet L. Pearson
David J. Perault
Thelma C. Pienimaa
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JUNIOR PROM 1947

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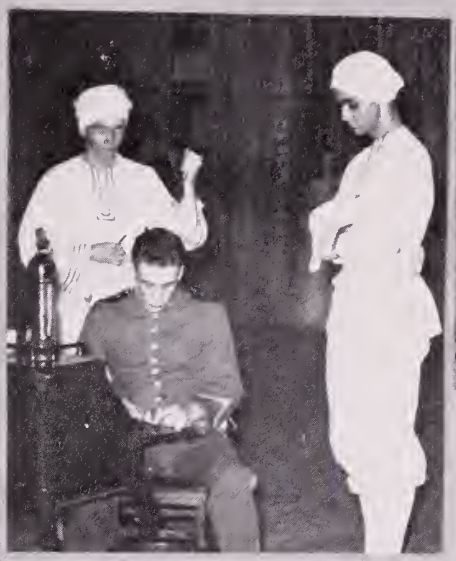
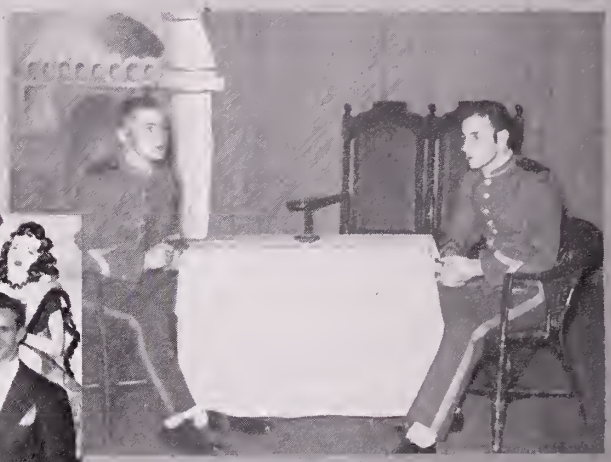




HIGHLIGHTS OF '48

THE RED AND GRAY

ELIZABETH A. H. SLEEPER — *Dedicated to the Fitchburg High School* — ADA C. COGSWELL

Spirituoso — *cresc.*

1. All hail to our Al - ma Ma - ter, All hail to the Red and Gray, All hail to our dear old
2. All hail to our Al - ma Ma - ter, For dear to our hearts is she, Dear in the days now

cresc.

high school, We'll cher-ish her name for aye. We'll glo - ry in her tri - umph, We'll weep for her in her
fleet - ing, And dear in the years to be. And when, our school days o - ver, We meet on life's path

loss, We'll wear her crown of vic - t'ry, We'll bear the weight of her cross.
way, We'll greet with joy in pass - ing The friends of the Red and Gray.

ff

Three cheers for the Red and Gray, Al-ma Ma-ter we'll love for aye, We'll stand by the right and truth

rit.

She taught us in our youth. Her no - ble les-sons we'll hold fast, So long as life shall

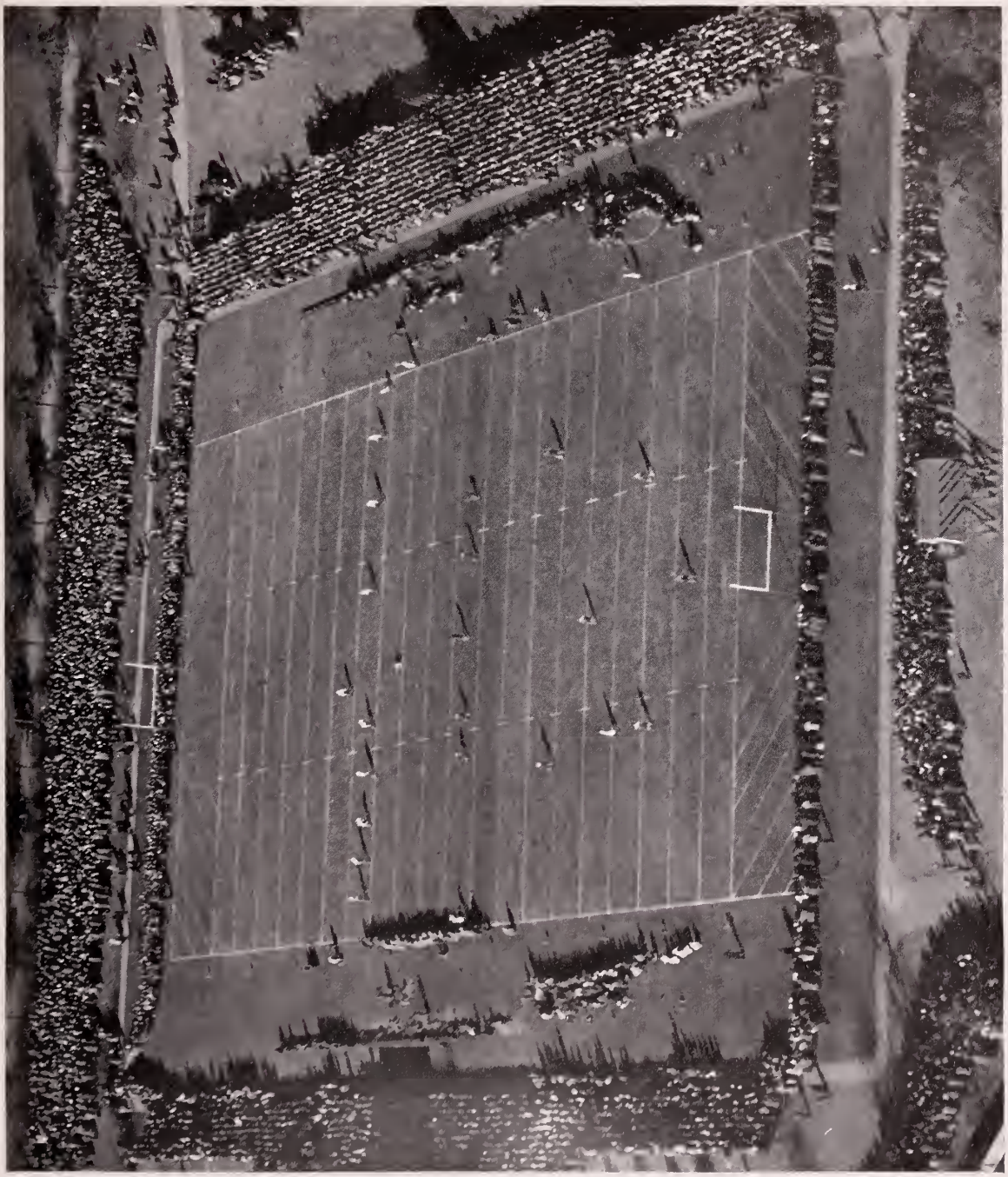
a tempo *cresc.* *rit.*

last, Her praise and fame we'll sing for aye, Three cheers for the Red and Gray.

GOOD GOVERNMENT DAY

Senators Central Mass. *Seated:* Robert Campion, Framingham; Mary Curtis, Worcester; *Standing:* Harold Dourille, Northbridge; Donald Grenier, Southbridge; Raymond Ablondi, Fitchburg

Representatives Examining House Document: Joe Cushing, Fitchburg; Norman Goguen, Fitchburg; Arthur Babineau, St. Bernard



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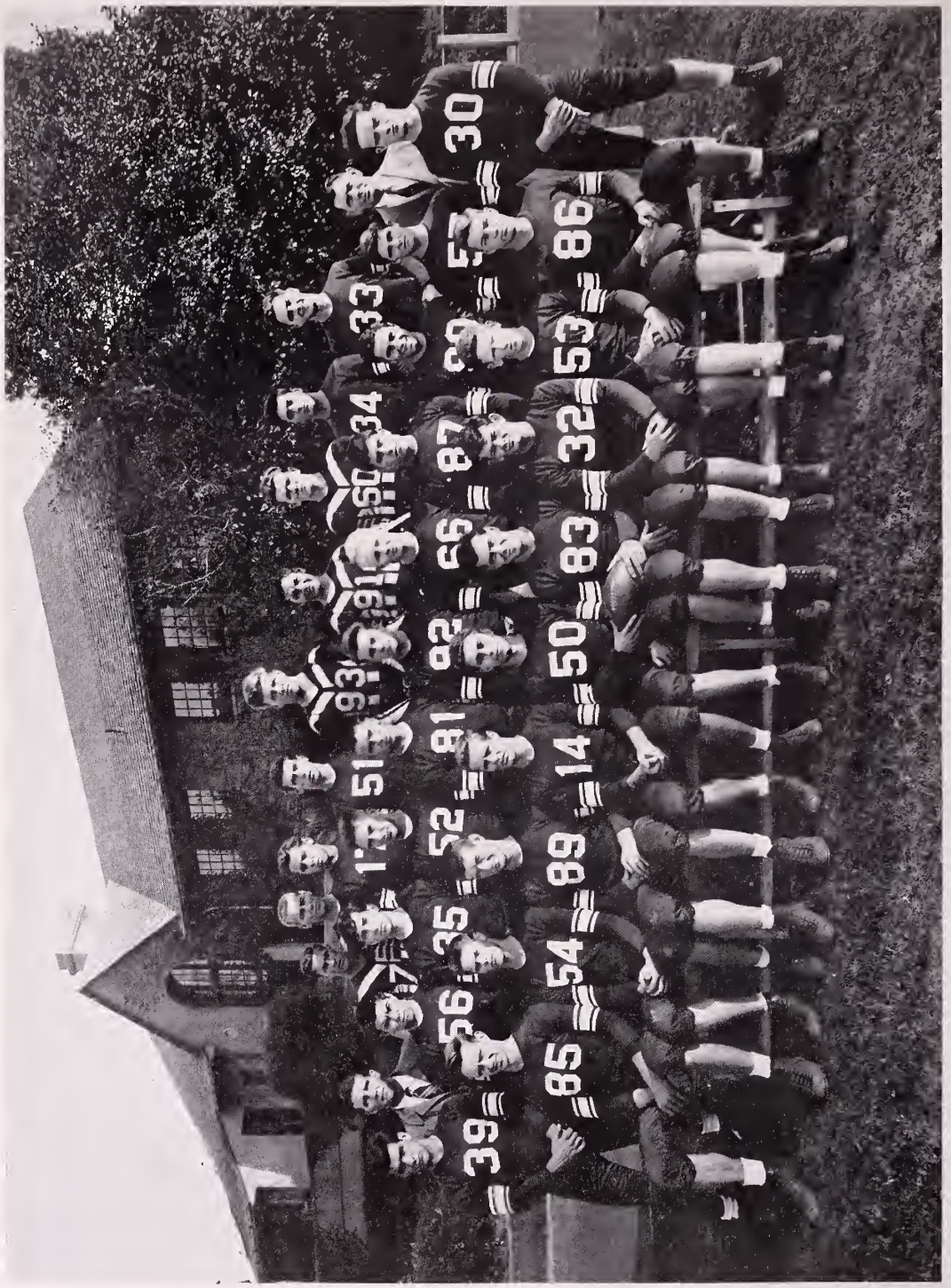


THE FOOTBALL TEAM

FOOTBALL

SQUAD

14	Joseph Cushing, Jr. '48	56	James Carey '49
17	Raymond A. Ablondi, Jr. '48	66	Loring R. Stevenson, Jr. '49
30	Robert T. Duncan '48	70	Walter A. Fife '48
32	Daniel G. O'Connor '48	71	Chester Martin '49
33	Emil A. Berndt '48	77	Paul Thibodeau '49
34	Stephen Keoseian '49	79	James Meredith '50
35	Hugh McCann '50	81	Frederick G. Wilson, Jr. '48
39	Alcide L. Martin '48	83	Richard F. Crohan '48
42	William Oaks '49	85	Courtney H. Ervin '48
46	Victor Derosiers '50	86	Hans M. Thoma '48
50	Ronald Balaban '48	87	Anthony Petrides '49
51	John P. Gates '48	89	Arthur P. Shea, Jr. '48
52	John Wofford '49	90	Alexander Emma '49
53	Joseph L. McBride '48	92	Herman Wuoti '49
54	Robert A. Turcotte '48	93	Manning E. Van Nostrand, III '48
55	Arthur Capone '49	17	Christo Lekas '49

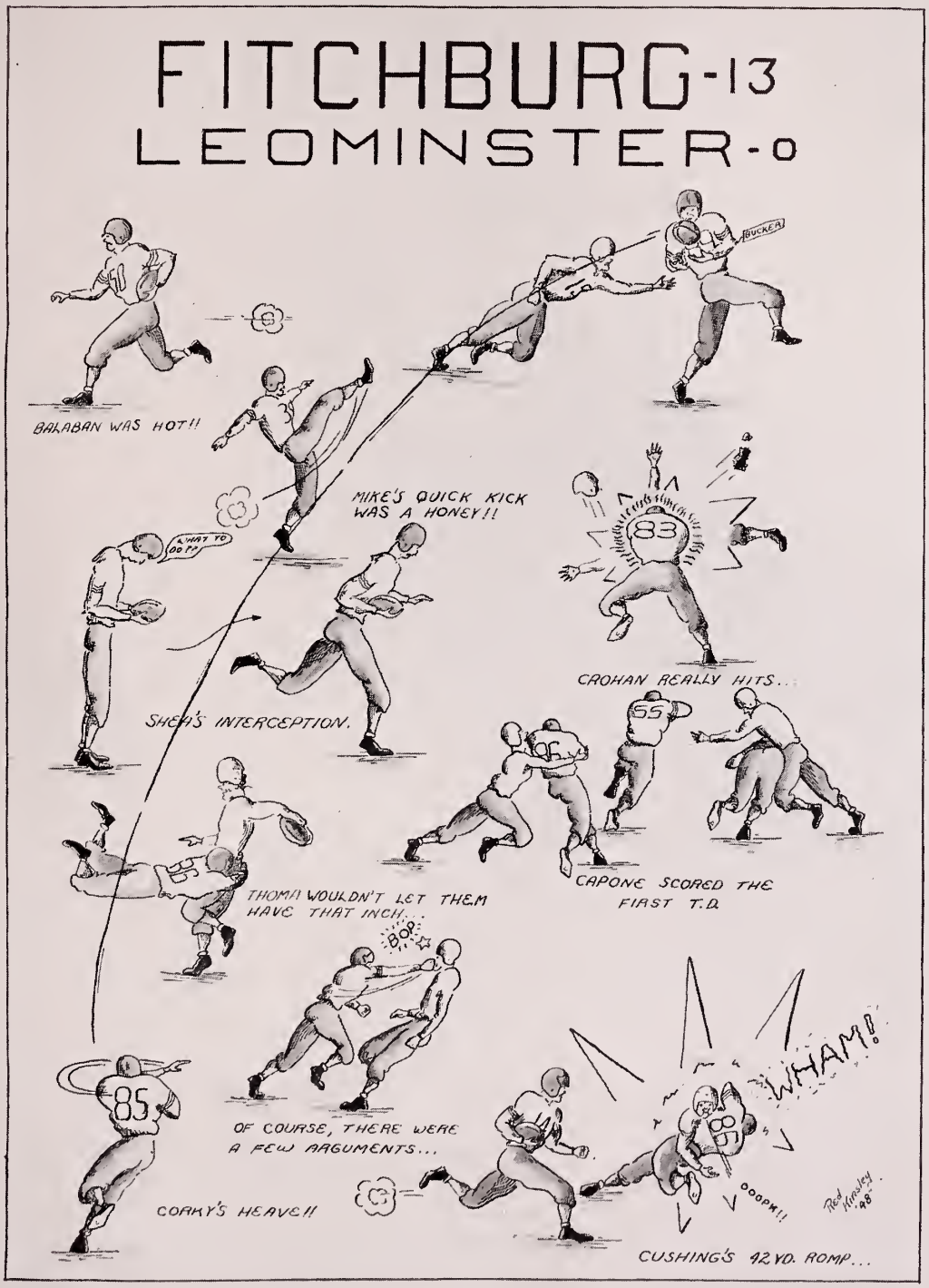
Coaches: Martin J. McDonough, Edward D. Sullivan

Faculty Manager: Ralph W. Howard *Student Manager:* Ralph W. Montuori

SCHEDULE

		F. H. S.	*Opponent*
Sept. 19	St. Bernard	7	7
Sept. 27	Marlboro	25	0
Oct. 3	Manchester at Manchester	6	6
Oct. 11	Brookline at Brookline	12	15
Oct. 18	Gardner	13	6
Oct. 25	Rindge	19	0
Nov. 1	Watertown	20	0
Nov. 8	Clinton at Clinton	6	6
Nov. 15	Woburn	12	21
Nov. 27	Leominster at Leominster	13	0

FITCHBURG vs. LEOMINSTER - 1947


FITCHBURG-13
LEOMINSTER-0
BUCKEA
BALABAN WAS HOT!!
MIKE'S QUICK KICK WAS A HONEY!!
WHAT TO DO ??
SHEA'S INTERCEPTION.
83
CROHAN REALLY HITS...
55
THOMA WOULDN'T LET THEM HAVE THAT INCH...
BOP
CAPONE SCORED THE FIRST T.D.
85
OF COURSE, THERE WERE A FEW ARGUMENTS...
CORKY'S HEAVE!!
WHAM!
OOOPH!!
Red Hinsley '48
CUSHING'S 42 YD. ROMP...

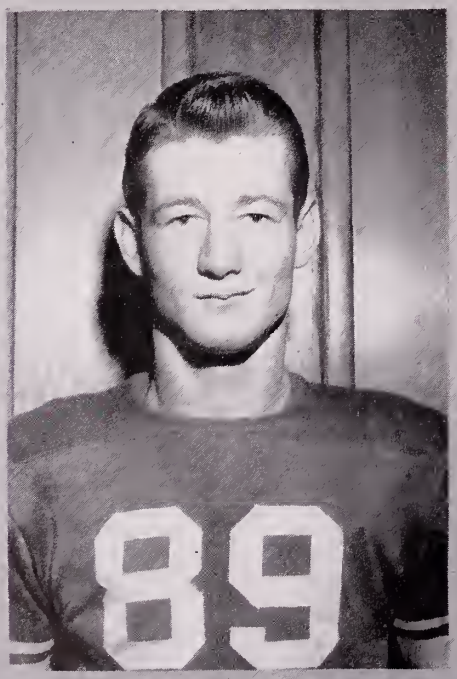
FITCHBURG vs. GARDNER

THE REGULARS

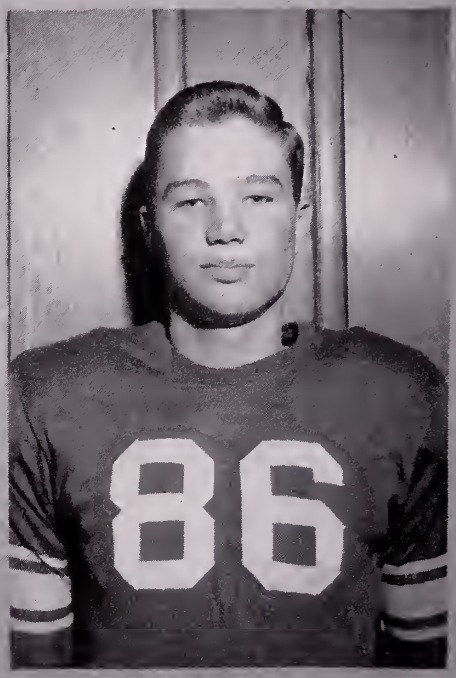
NORTHERN WORCESTER COUNTY ALL STARS

Corky Ervin

Joe Cushing



Bucker Shea



Hans Thoma

WORCESTER COUNTY ALL STARS

JOE CUSHING

CORKY ERVIN

CHEERLEADERS

Gordon K. Ringquist '48, Dorothea I. Passios '48, James Angelos '49, Mona D. Irvine '49, Norman C. Valiton '50, Jean MacCracken '50, Joseph F. Hannon '51, Carol L. Chase '51

MAJORETTES

Drum Major Jean M. Molter '48
Tumbling Majorette Evelyn Secino '49
Majorettes: Margaret A. Condon '48, Antoinette Scola '48, Mary Lou McCue '48, Betty Keoseian '49, Madeline E. Senn '49, Shirley J. Aaltonen '49

BASKETBALL
BUCKER SHEA
COACH JOHN OLIVA
FRENCHY MAYNARD
MGR. STEVE GIACOPPE
BOB DUNCAN
KENNY TARBELL
JOHNNY GATES
NORMAN "RED" GOGUEN
COAKY ERVIN
EMIL BERNDT
BOB TURCOTTE

THE BASKETBALL TEAM

BASKETBALL

SQUAD A

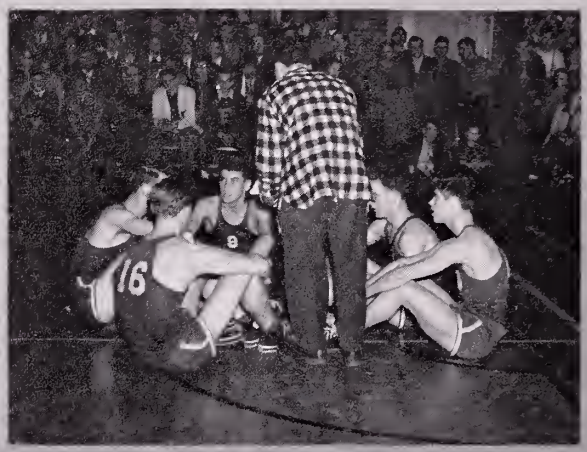
3 Norman P. Goguen '49
4 Donald A. Maynard '48
5 Loring R. Stevenson, Jr. '49
6 Lester E. Lockhart '48
7 Lawrence D. Welterlen '48
8 Richard E. Lundberg '48
9 John P. Gates '48
10 Robert A. Turcotte '48
11 Kenneth P. Tarbell '48
12 Robert A. Chapman '48
13 Robert T. Duncan '48
14 Richard W. Miner '49
15 Arthur P. Shea, Jr. '48
16 Courtney H. Ervin '48
17 Emil A. Berndt '48

Coach: John D. Oliva

Student Manager: Steven Giacoppe

SCHEDULE

		F. H. S.	*Opp.*
Dec. 12	Watertown	58	18
Dec. 19	Athol	38	50
Dec. 25	Alumni	36	41
Dec. 30	Nashua at Nashua	48	41
Jan. 1	Turners Falls	35	34
Jan. 9	St. Bernard	26	24
Jan. 13	Nashua	40	28
Jan. 16	Leominster at Leominster	43	29
Jan. 21	Worcester Classical at Worcester Classical	41	23
Jan. 23	Gardner at Gardner	53	47
Jan. 27	Athol at Athol	44	41
Jan. 30	St. Bernard	28	26
Feb. 3	Turners Falls at Turners Falls	45	48
Feb. 6	Worcester Junior College	61	13
Feb. 13	Gardner	50	31
Feb. 20	Leominster	55	27
Feb. 27	Worcester Classical	54	26
Mar. 9	Lenox (Springfield tournament)	46	23
Mar. 11	Springfield Classical (Springfield tournament)	31	39



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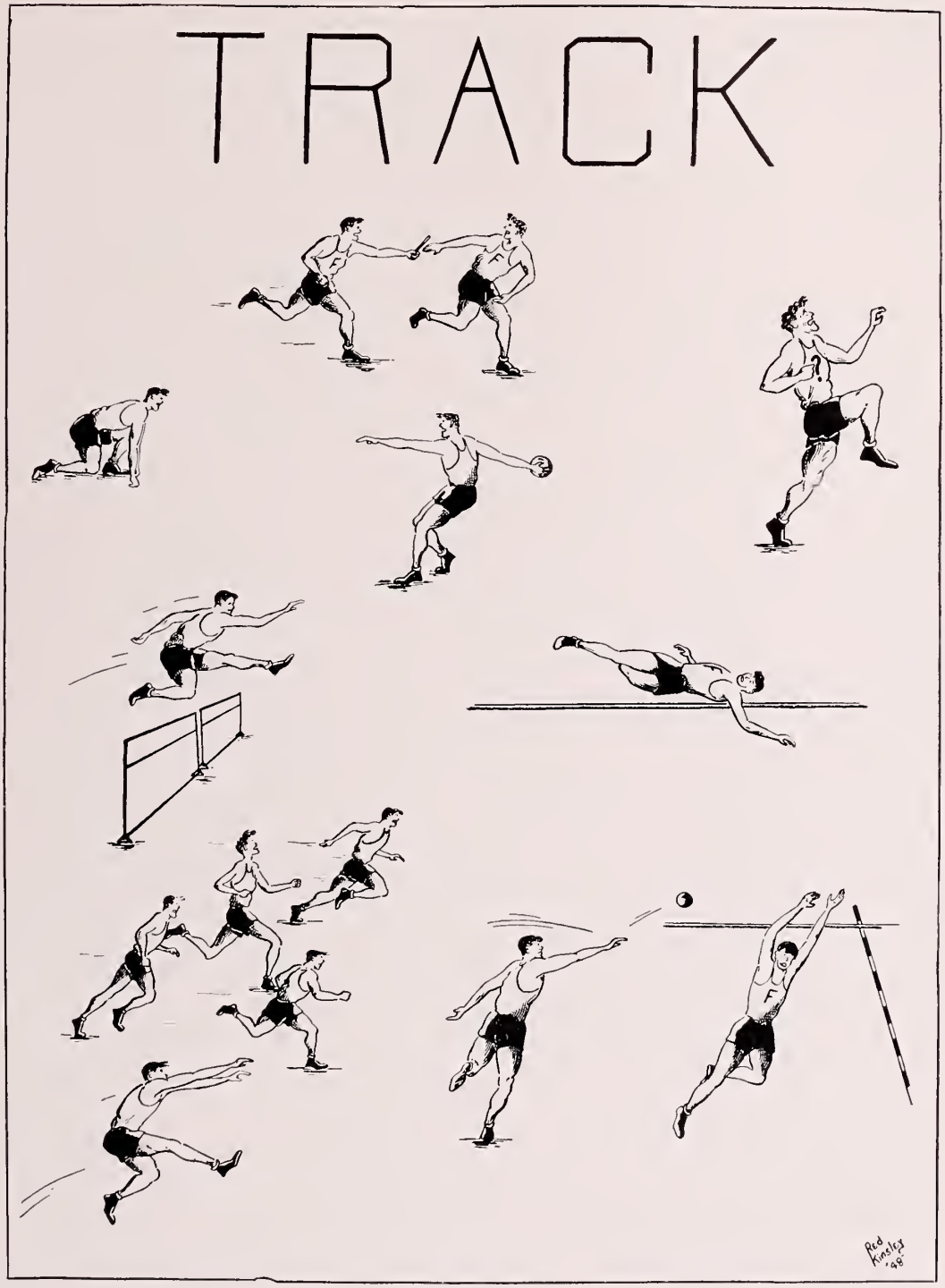
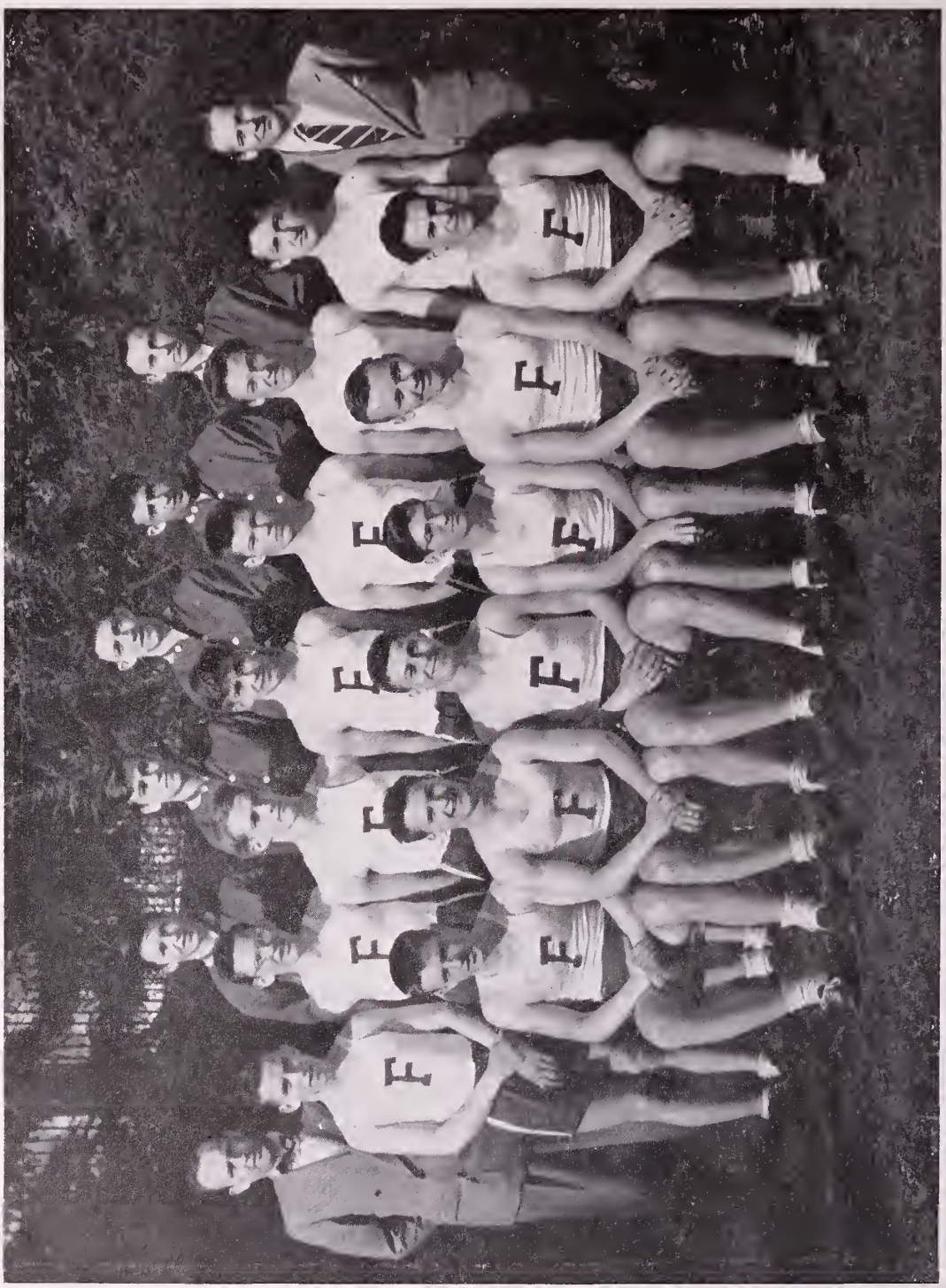

TRACK
Red Kinsley '48



THE TRACK TEAM

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James J. Gallagher '48, *Co-Captain*
Raymond A. Ablondi, Jr. '48
Halsey L. Allen, III '48
John Q. Bennett '48
Emil A. Berndt '48
Henry P. Brunell '48
Lucien Croteau '51
Paul Gelep '48
Steven Giacoppe '48
Norman Goguen '49
Joseph F. Hannon '51
Edwin R. Koskela '48
Richard W. Miner '49
Clarence L. Phaneuf '49
Harlan J. Webster '49

Stephen T. Woodbury, *Coach*

James Chalmers, *Asst. Coach*
James E. Godley '48, *Manager*

TRACK SCHEDULE 1948

April	19	State Meet at Concord
May	11	Leominster at Leominster
May	15	Massachusetts Relays at Belmont
May	22	Amherst Relays at Amherst
May	25	Gardner at Gardner
May	29	Massachusetts State Meet at Newton
June	1	Triangular Meet at Worcester
June	5	New England Qualifying at Brookline
June	19	New England Interscholastic

State Cross Country Champ

Johnny Bennett

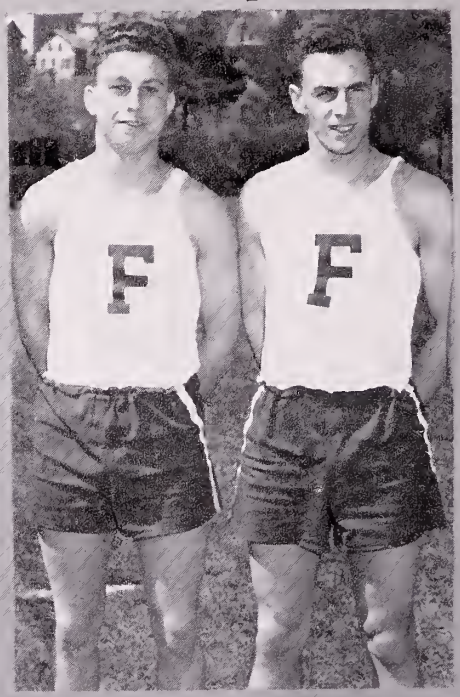
State 100 yd. Champ

Red Goguen

State Invitation Miler

Jimmy Gallagher

Johnny



Bali Ray

Jimmy

RELAY TEAM

Capt. Eugene Wirkkala

Raymond A. Ablondi, Jr.
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Edwin R. Koskela
George P. Morin
Edward R. Beer

Manager, Gordon L. Erickson

TENNIS TEAM

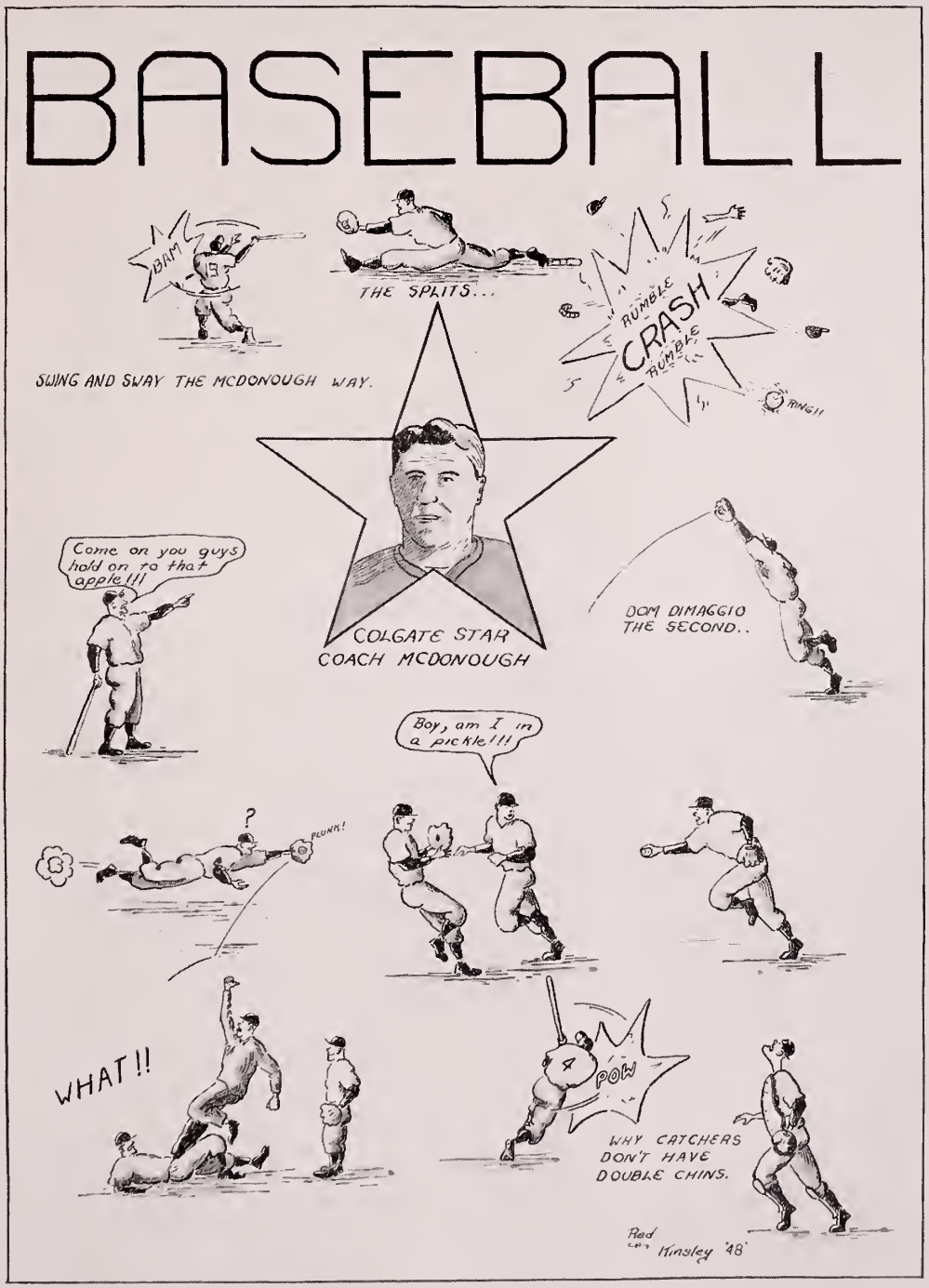
Irving P. Hecker '49, *Captain*

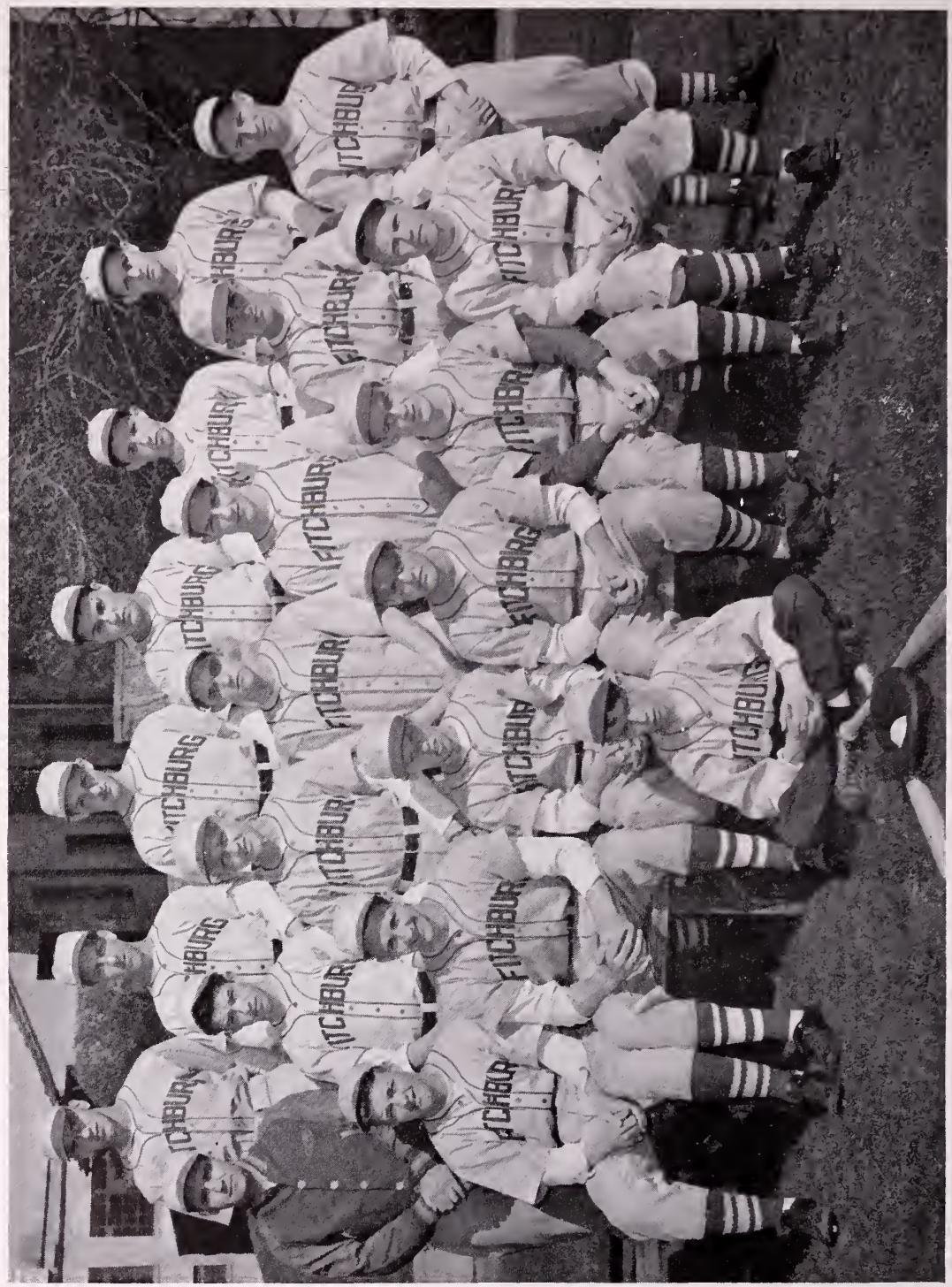
Robert T. Archibald '48
Henry E. Forss '49
Perley Gates '49
James L. Goodspeed '49
David J. Holden '48
John E. Laurila '50
Richard Lundberg '48
Allan W. Saari '48

Frank Sheehan, *Coach*

TENNIS SCHEDULE

May 4th	Cushing Academy	at Ashburnham
May 8th	Assumption High	at Fitchburg
May 11th	Nashua High	at Nashua, N. H.
May 12th	Assumption High	at Worcester
May 17th	Nashua High	at Fitchburg
May 19th	Lawrence Academy	at Groton
May 21st	Cushing Academy	at Fitchburg
May 26th	Lawrence Academy	at Fitchburg


BASEBALL
BAM
THE SPLITS...
RUMBLE
CRASH
RUMBLE
RING!!
SWING AND SWAY THE MCDONOUGH WAY.
COLGATE STAR
COACH MCDONOUGH
Come on you guys hold on to that apple!!!
DOM DIMAGGIO
THE SECOND..
Boy, am I in a pickle!!!
?
PLUNK!
WHAT!!
POW
WHY CATCHERS
DON'T HAVE
DOUBLE CHINS.
Red
Hinsley '48



THE BASEBALL TEAM

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Eugene Beaudette '49
Richard J. Bracks '49
Arthur Capone '49
Paul A. Cassinari '50
Joseph Cushing, Jr. '48
Robert T. Duncan '48
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Spiros T. Lanides '50
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Robert Wallace '49
Harold Welterlen '49
Eugene Wirkkala '48
John W. Wofford '49

Martin McDonough, *Coach*

SCHEDULE

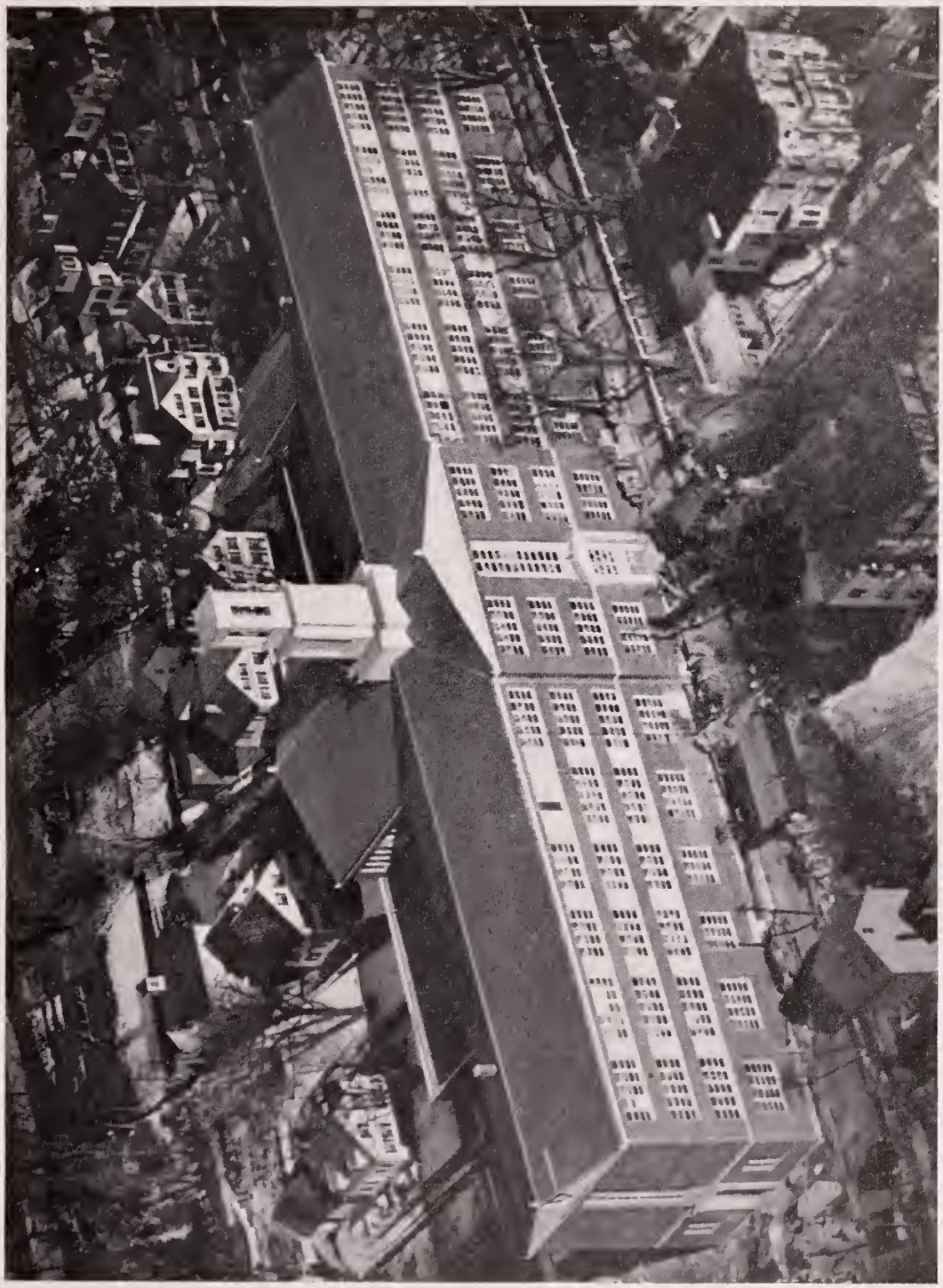
April 21	Marlboro at Marlboro
April 23	Clinton
April 30	St. Bernard
May 5	Athol
May 7	Gardner
May 10	Clinton at Clinton
May 11	Murdock at Winchendon
May 14	Leominster
May 18	Wor. Classical
May 19	Athol at Athol
May 21	Gardner at Gardner
May 24	Marlboro
May 25	Leominster at Leominster
May 26	Wor. Classical at Worcester
May 28	St. Bernard at St. Bernard
June 1	Murdock at Winchendon

SENIOR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS

Marjorie A. Forss, *Captain;* Betty R. Bever, Norma M. Bonnallie, Barbara A. Desmond, Phyllis J. Desmond, Charlotte A. Haase, Dorothea I. Passios, Gloria M. Richard, Barbara A. Walsh
Miss Perkins, *Faculty Coach*

SENIOR BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

Barbara A. Desmond, Phyllis J. Desmond, Dorothea I. Passios, Betty R. Bever, Marjorie A. Forss, Norma M. Bonnallie, Barbara A. Walsh, Charlotte A. Haase
Miss Perkins, *Faculty Coach*



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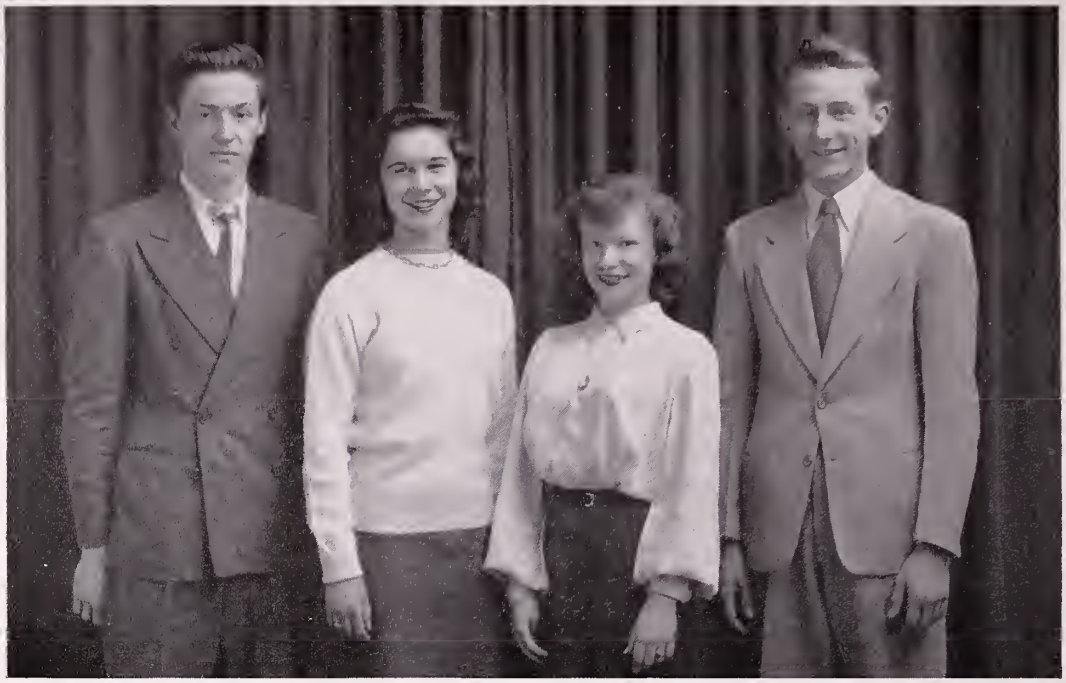

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AVE ATQUE VALE

We, the officers of the class of '48, salute the class officers and the class of '49. Down memory lane we'll always cherish the friendships built up between our classes and the pleasant recollections of our joint activities. We wish you success in your senior year and Godspeed in the years to come.

Ray Gblondi Jr.

Janet Pearson

Louis Lakso

Joe Cushing Jr.

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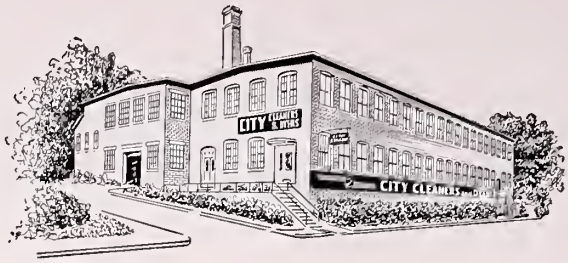

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